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NEW-JERSEY.

The Crowd in Hoboken.

Yesterday a larger crowd went to Hoboken than has visited that city on any Sunday this season. It is estimated that at least 20,000 persons visited the Elysian Fields and other places in the city and neighborhood. The day passed off quietly, and up to 10 o'clock no arrests had been made.

Sad Occurrence in Hoboken.

At about 7 o'clock last evening, CHARLES IRELAND, aged 16 years, a son of Mr. JOHN IRELAND, proprietor of the Washington Gardens, was drowned. He swam out from the ship-yard to the yacht *Maria*, in company with other lads, and in attempting the side of the yacht, was carried under by the current. His body could not be found last evening.

News from the Plains.

The Santa Fé mail-get in on yesterday afternoon. By it we have little intelligence of interest, other than items respecting Indian difficulties. It seems Col. FONTLEROY is determined to carry all before him. He has had three or four rencounters with the Indians, whenever they have been overtaken. Nearly fifty Indians were killed, quite a number wounded, and a few children taken prisoners, besides many animals, arms, &c., captured. The officers of the troops have been so great as to induce the Chief BLANCO, a Ute, to ask for peace—but none as yet has been granted, and they are still following them up. Part of the command are mounting their force towards the Santa Fé road, and will scour the Cimarron country, while the other part will go to the Rocky Mountains. Our troops, in their late skirmishes, have lost two men killed, and one wounded.

While on the trail, Col. FONTLEROY came upon the Indians in the night, in the midst of a scalp-dance.

The troops are expected daily to relieve those at Fort Union, who are to scour the Red River country.

Col. ALEXANDER and Capt. STURGUES and families, as also Mrs. STANTON and Mr. RUSSELL, are to leave for the States pretty soon. They will have an escort to the Pawnee Fork.

Four companies are to be stationed at the new post on the Bonito, in the heart of the Mescallero country.

The mail party had no interruption. Water and grass in abundance.

At Albuquerque, Rev. Mr. TOLMURST, a Missionary, was ordained—the services performed by Reverends READ, GORMAN and SHAW. It is said that the largest congregation of Americans was assembled on that occasion that ever did on any in that country.

The full Lake Mail that went out on the 1st of April has not been heard from, although the numerous reports which have been in circulation, Mr. MCGRAW, the contractor on that route, has just returned from a trip as far as the Blue, at which point he met with Lieut. HEATH, who had later news from Fort Laramie than any other source, and he had not heard of these Indian depredations upon trains, of which so much has been said of late. All was quiet about Fort Laramie. We give but little credit to those reports which have been in circulation for the last week.—*Independence Messenger.*

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THE ARTS AND AMUSEMENTS.

BROADWAY THEATRE.—Mr. and Mrs. BARNEY WILLIAMS have succeeded in crowding this Theatre [illegible] engagement, and will play every [illegible] week in old and familiar pieces. They [illegible] produced one novelty—a song called "Bo[illegible]"—and this might easily be [illegible] much, forgetting to the audience [illegible] the artist who sings it. It is [illegible] a humorous double entendre [illegible] surprise at the intelligency of [illegible] WILLIAMS singing it, is only equaled by [illegible] Mr. MARSHALL should permit it to be sung [illegible] portion of the audience yells every time [illegible] that that portion is usually worth [illegible] intelligence of this character. It should not be tolerated. "Rory O'More," "O'Donnell Aboo," "The Fairies" and "Our Gal" to-night, [illegible] the great bang of "Bobbing Around."

PARTON'S GARDEN.—Mr. BUNN [illegible] entertainment, [illegible] play on the 23d inst., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The English Opera Company [illegible] the other nights. AUBER's comic opera, "The Crown Diamonds," will be given to-night; [illegible] on Wednesday and another on Friday. We [illegible] by the way, that Mr. BALFE's opera "Bianca" [illegible] Wilkie" is in rehearsal, and will be produced in a short time.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM.—WHITE's famous band of minstrels are playing here, assisting the dramatists in getting up a thoroughly pleasant evening's amusement.

In the way of miscellaneous minstrelsy we can recommend Geo. CHRISTY & WOOD's, No. 472 Broadway, and PERHAM's, (the Alleghanians,) No. 663 Broadway.

FINE ARTS.—The Dusseldorf Gallery and SMITH's Tour of Europe.

Music.

The Philharmonic Society's last Concert took place on Tuesday, 10th inst. After the Concert (says the *Daily News*) [illegible] WAGNER was greeted with loud and [illegible] which was most justly his due. Whatever [illegible] of opinion may exist among our critics as to the peculiarities of his style as a composer, there can be no question as to his genius and [illegible] or as to his high position among the [illegible] of the age. For [illegible] we find the following [illegible] in the *Morning Post*: "There can [illegible] that this society is rapidly declining, and that a total reorganization, on principles more [illegible] to the spirit and requirements of the age, can alone save it from dissolution. Their exclusiveness, position and privilege form but a rotten foundation for any public institution, especially in these [illegible] times; and, when associated with the [illegible] kind of Democracy, as in the present instance, can only lead to utter destruction. So long as the old Philharmonic was truly conservative, and knew that it had a heritage of glory to sustain, we honored it; but when it fell fast asleep upon its laurels, and only awoke to place the guardianship of Art's sacred temple in the hands of an unbeliever in its divinities, our respect was at an end. Could the directors see nothing between blind reverence for the used-up ideas of a by-gone period and the wildest insurrection and incoherence of the degenerate present? They found it necessary to do something "liberal" simply because they were generally blamed for lethargy and prejudice. They were roused from their comfortable state by the [illegible] of their duties and responsibilities—and what have they accomplished? The claims of native composers were strongly urged, and so they unshelved two symphonies written twenty years ago, and an overture nearly as old, instead of commissioning the authors, men capable of producing better works, to compose something new, or encouraging the remarkable talent which has recently sprung up among us. Novelty was demanded, and the directors at once secured the services of a conductor so ultra modern that posterity alone is expected to understand his musical theories. Their hastily-assumed nationality was lifeless and unsympathetic with the age; their enterprise, rashness, their novelty—corruption. The immediate result of this was a lamentable falling off in the subscription, and the final one may be easily guessed. It is truly ludicrous to observe how a professedly conservative society can throw itself into the arms of a desperate musical democrat like Herr WAGNER, and strive to uphold the present of British art by falling back upon its past. The Philharmonic Society has evidently misunderstood its position; and another season similar to that whose termination we record, will serve only as a discreditable epitaph for the time-honored institution. These remarks, though severe, are made in no unfriendly spirit, but because we wish the directors to retrieve their losses in public estimation while there is yet time to do so. The old Philharmonic has, doubtless, been productive of much good, by aiding the development of musical taste in England, and none more than ourselves desire that it should maintain the proud position which it has hitherto held.

The opera campaign at the Haymarket has not been much of a success, notwithstanding the undoubted excellence of the leading artists. On the subject of modern and ancient "opera" the *Sunday Times* has some sensible remarks: When our fathers talked about opera, they meant a sort of comedy, with occasional songs in it, of which SHERIDAN's "Duenna" was the most celebrated type. The principal dramatic persons were not necessarily sustained by professed vocalists—nay, it would sometimes happen that the chief character had not a line of music, while the most striking melodies were put into the mouth of a personage who, having little or no connection with the plot, was inartificially dragged in for the sake of his voice. The concerted pieces, if so they could be called, consisted of a bustling finale or two, in which there was scarcely an attempt at part-writing, and in which every performer could easily join, without any vocal ability beyond the power of articulation, as the effect of the *morceau* depended far more upon the action than upon the music. The change that has taken place in the signification of the word "opera" is by no means of a distant date. Till within the last thirty years, "Artaxerxes" was the only known English opera without spoken dialogue, and it is a rendered fact that when WEBER's "Oberon" was produced in 1826, at Covent Garden, some of the audience were heard to declare that they regarded the scraps of dialogue with which it was interspersed as something refreshing, "after all that music." At a comparatively recent period, when the same work was revived, the same scraps of dialogue excited derision—so completely had the notions of operatic propriety been reversed. When an occasional song was enough to entitle a comedy or melodrama to the name of opera, of course any manager in London could make his establishment as lyric as he pleased. Most actors could sing well enough for the less conspicuous *morceaux* of the pieces; and for the two or three "crack" songs that were to make the fortune of the musicsellers, one professional vocalist—say Mr. BRAHAM or Mr. INCLEDON—was engaged. Musical organization was impossible, for there was nothing to organize. These remarks will be sufficient to show that the "good old times" cannot be quoted as offering a precedent for operatic success at non-operatic establishments. An opera, in the antique sense, was a hardy plant, that would thrive anywhere; an opera, in the modern sense, is a delicate exotic, that requires an especial conservatory.

LESSON TO GRENDY MANAGERS.—The London *Morning Chronicle* gives the following account of a row at the Olympic Theatre: On Friday evening the benefit of Mr. WIGAN, the lessee of this theatre, took place, according to appointment. At an early hour, the pit entrance was besieged by a highly respectable body of individuals, including a great many ladies, who waited with exemplary patience and good humor until the doors were opened. In a minute or two the pit was quite full, and then it was observed, with much indignation, that no fewer than eight additional seats in this small theatre had been taken in for stalls, any hope of a dense being left! The universal feeling of disapprobation soon found energetic vent. Up started an indignant Peterkinite, and in a loud and decided tone demanded, "Where's the pit?" The inquiry was instantly taken up by the entire number, and loud inquiries were made for Mr. WIGAN to come forward and explain the reason of this imposition. Two policemen were present, but both they and the off-duty [illegible] were evidently amused at the demonstration. The uproar continued, and no Mr. WIGAN condescending to appear, a general cry of "jump over" arose, and in a few moments a determined move forward was made by some fifty or more ladies and gentlemen, who stepped over the new line of demarcation, and quietly took their places in the seats obstructed from the pit. This act of determination brought Mr. WIGAN out at last, who was received with a perfect hurricane of disapprobation that lasted for some minutes. On gaining a hearing, he expressed regret at having given offence to any portion of his audience, and, without affecting ignorance of the motive, said that those who had wrongfully taken possession of the stalls must give them up—he had Bow-street to back him, and if they did not they would be turned out. The same thing had been done at other theatres (loud and numerous cries of "Never to anything like such an extent.") and good humor had been given of the entertainment. Cries of "Nobody had any consideration of the being carried out to this disgraceful extent" here arose, and the disapprobation was continued until Mr. WIGAN said he had got into a dilemma, and he must leave the matter to be settled by the good feeling of the audience. The seats, however, that had been taken by assault were retained by the possessors.

We slip the following bit of scandal from the Mobile *Dispatch* of the 30th: "G. C. BOSTWICK, a member of the theatrical profession, and at one time a resident of this city, was arrested in Montgomery on Friday night, on a charge of seduction. It appears that Mr. BONIFACE and Miss [illegible], aged about 14, being enamored of each other, adopted a plan to secure a clandestine interview, which, though after the most approved plans of getting up a "house" on the stage, was not exactly [illegible] with the rules of society, or with the girl's [illegible] ideas of propriety. The young lady, without [illegible] by her lover or not does not appear, [illegible] herself in citizen's dress, so as to appear like a [illegible] who was well known at her mother's dwelling, and during the evening passed out of the house without attracting any attention, and proceeded to meet the expectant swain at the appointed place. About 1 o'clock the mother was apprised of the absence of the daughter, and making inquiry and putting this and that together, arrived at the conclusion that she had, under disguise, gone to enjoy the company of Mr. BONIFACE, if not to leave the city with him. She immediately waited on the Mayor and had a warrant issued for Mr. B.'s arrest. The girl was found during the night by the police, asleep in a carriage standing on the bank at the foot of Seneca street, and accounted for her presence there in the following way: She had returned home in her man's attire at 2 o'clock and reached her room without being seen, and being aware of the grief of her mother, had redressed herself in her own clothes, and made her escape by the back door, and reached the foot of the street near the lake, intending to drown herself, but thinking it a matter worthy of a second consideration, she stepped into the carriage, and being overcome by the arduous duties of acting a *Juliet's* part in a *Romeo's* attire, had fallen asleep. Mrs. RADDECK, believing this BONIFACE had seduced her daughter, had him arrested, but the charge was not pressed, and he was subsequently released, and so the matter ended.

Mrs. C. N. SINCLAIR (FORREST) has relinquished the management of the Metropolitan Theatre, San Francisco, for the occasion of her benefit (10th June) she delivered the following speech:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I have so often expressed my sense of your kindness and manifest favor for the kindness by you so bountifully bestowed, that it is impossible for me now to find a fit expression wherein to confess to you that debt of gratitude which words cannot discharge. To-night closes for the present my managerial career here—a career commenced with an express determination, which I have labored unceasingly to fulfill, of using every exertion to obtain the approval of this the most liberal public in the world; and although within the past few months I have, in common with almost every member of this community, suffered from the disastrous state of affairs, yet, whatever may be my after fate, I shall ever revert with feelings of pride and pleasure, with happiest memory to the time I have devoted here. To those who have labored long and arduously with me, I would take this occasion to express my sincere thanks. The recollection of their kindness is treasured in my inmost heart, and I can only trust they may enable me one day to prove how willingly I would reciprocate. To those who, envious of the encouragement and confidence with which you have honored me, have considered it their interest to become my enemies, I can only oppose a woman's weapon—patience. And, ladies and gentlemen, to you, whose time I fear to trespass upon any longer, I must unwillingly and regretfully speak that word, which, were it for the last time, I should scarcely dare trust my lips to utter—but now, with a heart overflowing with gratitude, with the hope that I shall ere long again have the pleasure of appearing before you, I most respectfully bid you—farewell."

Mrs. SINCLAIR has commenced a "starring" campaign in the interior.

The correspondent of the *Commercial Advertiser*, speaking of the new tragedienne RISTORI, says her success is unabated. The *Athenæum Français* which withheld its opinion for a month, says of her at last, that "she is probably the most complete, and certainly the most powerful actress that has ever lived." She last night played SCHILLER's "Marie Stuart" for the first time, or rather MAFFEI's Italian version of that play. While preparing in the last act for her execution, and while endeavoring, upon her knees, with the easiest ease of the cross, which she presses to her bosom, to detach herself from the earth, and from earthly ties, her face undergoes a change such as no French audience has ever before beheld; she turns deadly pale; life, physical life, seems to abandon her, while through her eyes, which alone remain animated, shines the glory of the retreating ecstatic spirit. Never have I seen the immortal soul, as I saw it then, rapt, lost, withdrawn, eager for its liberation. The audience wept, and bowed their heads, and then to relieve their agony, broke into long and redoubled acclamations. The actor performing the part of the confessor, was so moved, that for a moment he could not proceed.

DEATH OF THE VETERAN LINDLEY.—We have to record the death of one of the most accomplished English violoncellists that ever lived, which event took place at his residence in Percy-street, Brighton, England, at the advanced age of eighty-three. In his early years LINDLEY was attached to the orchestra of the Brighton Theatre, and so great was his love of Brighton till almost the last period of his existence, that he would snatch all the time he could from his professional duties to visit the town; and he never failed when in Brighton to be present at the quartet meetings held there. We may say, notwithstanding the skill displayed by such performers as PIATTI, that there was something so charming in his tone and quiet taste that no performance, however good, by others in the profession, tended at all to lessen the reputation he enjoyed. He was the composer of several works for his instrument.

FRIGHTFUL EFFECT OF THE STUDY OF ART.—Mr. CHADWICK, speaking of the female schoolteachers of the Government Schools of Art, in his last pamphlet, says: "The females have been so far advanced in mental power and influence as to have been lost to the service by matrimonial engagements obtained with exceeding rapidity. To avoid these losses, plainer candidates were elected for training, but they, too, have obtained preference as wives to a perplexing extent." Mere "blues" have no chance whatever against these ladies of all colors—these Masters of Hearts.

The largest room in the world, under a single roof, unbroken by pillars or other obstructions, is at St. Petersburg, and is 650 feet in length, and 150 feet in breadth. By daylight, it is used for military displays, and a battalion can conveniently maneuvre in it. In the evening it is often converted into a vast ball room, when it is warmed by sixteen prodigious stoves, and 20,000 wax tapers are required to light it properly. The roof of the structure is a single arch of iron, the bars alone on which it rests weighing 12,500,000 pounds.

Mr. GUSTAVUS BRAVURA, the quaint English tenor, is playing *Henry Barnacle* to Miss COUSINS's *Meg Merrilies* in "Guy Mannering," at the Haymarket Theatre London. At the same theatre, Miss FAUCIT is creating a sensation as *Rosalind*.

HENRY WIKOFF, Esq., "the gentleman who managed the press" at the Academy of Music, sailed for Europe on Saturday in the *Hermann* steamship *Hermann*.

BUCKLEY's Serenaders have been delighting the good people of Rochester. They commence to-night in Buffalo.

Mrs. CATHERINE WINTER (one of the strong minded,) announces a lecture in St. Martin's Hall, London, "on Administrative Reform."

Mr. DAVENE—one of the best low comedians of the day—has been playing at the Theatre Royal, Montreal. His benefit was on Friday.

GABRIEL RAVEL and a ballet company are at the Howard, in Boston.

Miss LOUISA HOWARD and Mr. HENRY FARREN have been playing at the Royal Lyceum, Toronto.

There are upwards of forty places of amusement open in London at this "dull" season.

They have a Female Sax Horn Band at Huston Hall, Boston.

MAZZEPPER is in London, superintending the rehearsals of *L'Etoile du Nord*.

Mr. BUCKSTONE took his annual benefit at the Haymarket Theatre on Friday night, June 29.

Miss FANNY VINING and Mr. E. L. DAVENPORT are at the National Theatre, Cincinnati.

Signor BLITZ is still at the Boston Museum.

Madlle. DURET is playing at the Albany Theatre.

OHIO REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Nomination of S. P. Chase for Governor—Election of Know-Nothingism with Free-Soil.

Continued from the Cincinnati Commercial of Saturday, July 14.

EARLY IN THE MORNING.

At an early hour the multitude that had rested, or attempted to rest, in the big hotels, were astir, and the streets were soon lively. The excitement was high. Everywhere groups could be seen in eager conversation, and CHASE stock was up. Persons, not precisely friendly to him, freely expressed the opinion that he would be nominated by a hearty majority. To an outsider, not particularly well posted, it did not appear likely that BRINKERHOFF could come in, and the third candidate was not so prominent as the evening before. The wire-pullers were intensely active, and the confusion process of attempted fusion was perceptible on the surface, and wherever the people did meet congregate. Columbus was a huge cauldron, in which the conflicting political elements simmered at fever heat. Patriots, willing to sacrifice themselves for the good of the country were abundant, and the particular friends of ambitious gentlemen labored with the energy for which that class of men are distinguished on such occasions.

THE ORGANIZATION.

The Convention was called to order by the appointment of Benj. G. Cowen as President, and Mr. W. B. Allison, of Ashland, and Mr. Herrick, of Portage, as Secretaries.

It was decided to name a Committee of one from each Congressional District, to decide on candidates, and suggested that each delegate, when the roll was called, should give his post-office address.

The Committee on Organization was empowered to report such rules for the government of the Convention as they might deem necessary.

It was moved that all resolutions relating to the platform of principles be handed over to the Committee on Resolutions without debate.

Mr. CAMPBELL was opposed to being hurried on in this manner.

A gentleman suggested that this refer[illegible] resolutions be made until the Committee on Resolutions reported. This modification was accepted, and the motion was carried, only a few persons voting.

At 11½ o'clock, the Convention adjourned to 1½ o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 2½ o'clock.

A Committee of three was appointed to correspond with the State Convention, assembled at Indianapolis, Ind., and greet that body in the name of Freedom.

The Committee on Credentials reported there were but two counties in the Northwest not represented. But two or three cases of contested Delegations had occurred. The report was adopted without reading.

The rules of the last House of Representatives were adopted so far as practicable.

A majority of all the votes cast were declared to be necessary for a nomination in all cases.

The report of the Committee on Permanent Officers and Rules was then adopted, with but two or three dissenting voices.

The following gentlemen were named as the Committee of Correspondence with Indiana: A. McCANN, —— POLLOCK, A. B. NORTON.

The Committee on Resolutions were called upon to report. Judge SPALDING read the documents:

THE FUSION PLATFORM.

1. *Resolved*, That the people, who constitute the supreme power in the United States, should guard with jealous care the rights of the several States as independent Governments. No encroachments upon their legislative or judicial prerogatives should be permitted from any quarter.

2. *Resolved*, That the people of the State of Ohio, mindful of the blessings conferred upon them by the ORDINANCE OF FREEDOM, whose anniversary our Convention this day commemorates, have established for their political guidance the following cardinal rules:

1. We will resent the spread of Slavery under whatever shape or color it may be attempted.

2. To this end we will labor assiduously to render inoperative and void that portion of the Kansas and Nebraska bill which abolishes freedom in the territory, withdrawn from the influence of Slavery by the Missouri Compromise of 1820; and we will oppose, by every lawful and constitutional means, the existence of Slavery in any National territory, and the further increase of slave territory, or Slave States, in this Republican Confederacy.

3. *Resolved*, That the recent acts of violence and civil war in Kansas, incited by the late Vice President of the United States, and tacitly encouraged by the Executive, command the emphatic condemnation of every citizen.

4. *Resolved*, That a proper retrenchment in all public expenditures, a thoroughly economical administration of our State Government, a just and equal basis of taxation and single Districts for the election of members of the Legislature, are reforms called for by a wise State policy, and justly demanded by the people.

5. *Resolved*, That a State Central Committee, consisting of five, be appointed by this Convention, and that said Committee, in addition to its usual duties, be authorized to correspond with Committees of other States, for the purpose of agreeing upon a time and place for holding a National Convention of the Republican party, for the nomination of President and Vice President.

These resolutions were reported, said the Chairman, with singular unanimity, there being but one dissenting voice in the Committee of twenty-one.

Mr. CAMPBELL thought that the sentiments of the resolutions were happily expressed, and he hoped they would be adopted without discussion.

Mr. GIDDINGS was the solitary member of the Committee opposed to the resolutions, not, he said, because he objected to the resolutions themselves, but he thought they were a little too tender. They were not strong enough for the old guard. Still the resolutions were better than worse. If it offended his brother to eat meat, he would eat no more while time lasted. He was opposed to this milk for babes. He had disagreed with his colleagues, but had had the misfortune to disagree with people before this. He was used to disagreement, and hoped that everybody would vote for the platform.

The platform was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Mr. L. D. CAMPBELL moved to reconsider the motion by which the Committee agreed to proceed to nominate.

Judge SPALDING moved to lay Mr. CAMPBELL's motion upon the table.

The vote resulted 157 yeas to 210 nays, so the Convention refused to lay the motion on the table, and resolved that they would not proceed to ballot until after the proposition and speech of Mr. EDWARD SMITH.

Rev. EDWARD SMITH came forward and said he was an old anger; he had commenced this fight of freedom when the first fine was pitched.

It was moved that the Convention proceed to ballot for a candidate for Governor. This motion, with an amendment offered by L. D. CAMPBELL that the candidates be requested to pledge themselves to abide by the decision of the Convention, passed.

S. P. CHASE, JACOB BRINKERHOFF, JOSEPH B. SWAIN, Gen. S. F. CARY, and HIRAM GRISWOLD were put in nomination, and the requisite pledge given.

L. D. CAMPBELL stated that he was authorized to withdraw the name of JACOB BRINKERHOFF.

NOMINATION OF CHASE.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

Chase	228	Griswold	43
Swan	102		

One hundred and eighty-five votes were necessary for a nomination. CHASE was declared the nominee, and a Committee, consisting of GIDDINGS, CAMPBELL and Rev. Mr. SMITH, appointed to wait on him and inform him of the fact.

It was moved that CHASE be declared unanimously nominated—but there were, perhaps, fifty negative voices—Know-Nothing voices.

NOMINATION OF LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

The following names were put in nomination: FRANKLIN T. BACKUS, HIRAM GRISWOLD, CHAUNCEY N. OLDS, SAMUEL STOKELY and THOMAS H. FORD.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

Backus	62	Griswold	47
Ford	145	Stokely	6
Olds	84	Lawrence	52

THE SECOND BALLOT.

Backus	65	Olds	43
Ford	252	Griswold	36

Mr. FORD was declared the nominee.

On motion of Mr. CABLE, JACOB BRINKERHOFF was nominated by acclamation for the long term of Supreme Judge. [Much enthusiasm.]

During the time that the vote for Lieutenant Governor was being counted, the Chair announced that Mr. CHASE was present, and a general call being made, he appeared upon the platform. A portly old gentleman, with a big voice, shouted as he ascended the steps—"All hail, old fellow."

The following is an abstract of the

SPEECH OF MR. CHASE.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION: I know, full well, that it is not from any merits of mine that I have been nominated. While he conceded that there were many men in the State better qualified than himself to uphold the banner of freedom, he yielded to none in devotion to the cause of freedom. The judgments of the platform adopted were his judgments. He summed up his creed on the subject of Slavery in one single word, DENATIONALIZATION—let the general Government exercise its legitimate influence on the side of freedom. He had in years past expressed definite opinions, and they stand [illegible] The [illegible] was there he held now.

He was willing to stand shoulder to shoulder with all men who would stand by him in the great battle now about to be fought. It would be the fault of his head and his health, if he did not go as far as the farthest, and as willing as the most willing, in the advocacy of the principles adopted by that Convention. He considered that within the sacred limits of the Constitution there was scope and verge enough for the action of the sincerest Anti-Slavery men. He would be toward the South just and generous. He expressed his deep and unfeigned gratitude for the honor conferred upon him, and concluded by hoping that the time might soon arrive when the sun in his course over this Continent, would find with his beams no slave.

For the short term on the Supreme Bench, a large number of names were put in nomination. While the vote was being taken, Mr. STEINBAUGH, of Tuscarawa county, interrupted the proceedings by saying that an outsider whom he did not choose to name, had been casting the votes of several delegations without their knowledge or consent. On being pressed, he stated that it was Judge IVES, of Hyram. [illegible] stand. Mr. FORD said his nomination was entirely unexpected. He would support the ticket, not because he was on it, but because he had an interest in it. He had promised (in the Philadelphia Know-Nothing Convention) that Ohio should speak for Freedom, and now he hoped she would. He would not make a speech. He expected to go through the State and talk to all the people. Everybody should hear him as much as they wanted to. He had promised to expend a *barrel of sweat* on this canvas, and he intended to sweat it out. [Much merriment.]

Mr. BRINKERHOFF was called on for a speech. He responded elaborately, going in for the platform, and nothing else, saying that he was not indifferent to the favorable opinion of good men, that the Convention had given him the place he wanted, and that he thought the taxes that now oppress the people of Ohio might, could and should be reduced.

The vote for short term Judge was announced, but no choice was made. CHAS. C. CONVERSE, of Zanesville, had the highest number of votes—119. It was moved that he be declared the nominee. This was objected to and another vote taken, resulting in the nomination of CONVERSE, who received 269 votes.

AUDITOR OF STATE.

On the second ballot, WRIGHT having received 213 votes, was declared the nominee.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

There was no nomination on the second ballot, but a number of delegates asked leave to change their votes and go for BARBER, editor of the Scioto *Gazette*, who was then, on motion, nominated by acclamation.

The Chairman read a dispatch from Indiana. The Republicans of Indiana sent greeting to the Buckeyes, in Republican Convention, saying that ten thousand freemen had set the seal of eternal condemnation on Doughfaceism and Old Linceism. Their platform had been adopted unanimously.

STATE TREASURER.

The Convention now proceeded to ballot for State Treasurer. On the second ballot WM. H. GIBSON, of Seneca, was chosen.

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

J. D. KIMBALL, of Medina, was nominated for the office of Attorney General on the first ballot.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

A. G. CONOVER was nominated on the second ballot for member of Board of Public Works.

At 10 o'clock, P. M., the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Indiana State Republican Convention at Indianapolis—Large Gathering—Speeches by Judge Morton and Senator Wilson.

From the Cincinnati Columbian, July 14.

The long-heralded Indiana State Convention assembled yesterday morning at Indianapolis. Not content with sending their delegates, the people seemed to have turned out en masse. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed, and banners with stirring mottoes and devices were apparent on every hand.

FORENOON SESSION.

The Convention assembled in the grove in front of the State House, where the speeches were made, and the resolutions read and adopted.

The seats were intended to accommodate 3,000 persons, but though they were filled to their utmost capacity, scarcely a respectable moiety of the crowd was accommodated. Two fine bands of music were in attendance, and their stirring strains were interspersed through the proceedings with fine effect.

A tremendous delegation, numbering no less than *seventeen hundred*, was present from Shelby County. The ladies (Heaven bless their souls) were around in profusion, and by their sweet smiles and showy calico, added much enlivenment to the scene.

Among the most prominent mottoes displayed were the following: "There is a North!" "Benedict Vassalocus, Beware!" "Down with the Pope!" and "America for the Americans!" One borne by a German was not mal-apropos: "I have come to Live, but not to Rule."

At 11 o'clock the Convention was called to order by Dr. FERRIS, who proposed the name of Hon. CHARLES TEST as President of the Convention. The motion being seconded, it was carried unanimously; whereupon Judge TEST ascended the platform, and after a few preliminary remarks expressive of thanks for the honor, he called the attention of the meeting to the necessity of nominating other officers.

An adjournment of twenty-five minutes was then declared to enable the delegates to appoint their Committee on Resolutions. The following is the Committee reported: Wm. Wiltcomby, Milton Gregg, Wm. McDunn, S. S. Harding, D. P. Holloway, Walter Beech, John M. Wallace.

The Committee then retired to prepare their resolutions.

There being loud calls for Judge MORTON of Wayne County, he took the stand and proceeded in an earnest, thoughtful address to speak touching the nature of the great political issue which had called them together. He remarked that the enemies of the great American movement had prophesied that the excitement would all die away in a short time. He was glad it was not so, and thought that the presence of so enthusiastic a host proved the prophecy a false one. It was no temporary excitement which possessed the movement, but a love of liberty and a desire to have it perpetuated for posterity. Look at Kansas. There lost her minions, backed by Missourian ruffians, trampled out what little of popular sovereignty there was in the Nebraska bill. [illegible]

They have just gone through the form of an election, and a Pro-Slavery Legislature is the result. Its first act, of course, will be to incorporate Slavery as a legal and recognized institution. In view of these facts, we must prepare for a vigorous action. Let us resolve that [illegible] shall be carried out of the Territories [illegible] by the Missouri Compromise. The [illegible] and will do. [Great applause.] I have [illegible] the South to see what would be [illegible] of the news of the recent [illegible] gas. I had hoped they would [illegible] but no. At first there was an [illegible] next a faint murmur of approbation, and now loud and uncovered approval. Why, we hope to repudiate the Union every year! Unfortunately the Union is dear, very dear to some of the South, but dear as it is, it is a dearer still to the free [illegible] longer should we allow the hatchet of [illegible] away us from our duty, which is [illegible] tion to the extension and perpetuation of Slavery.

Can it be said that there is no [illegible] tence of the American party in [illegible] whose a foreigner, no matter how [illegible] norant, can vote and participate in all the [illegible] citizenship after a six months' residence, [illegible] ling declared his intention to become a citizen? [illegible] we of Indiana have greater cause of complaint than the people of other States, where a five years' residence is the shortest term of probation.

Gen. WILSON, of Mass., then took the stand amid enthusiastic applause. Adverting to the position as one of great interest and importance, for [illegible] of the beauty of the day, (the sun [illegible] his intensest rays full in our faces, we [illegible] preciate it!) and said nature herself seemed to sympathize with the occasion. He adverted to the Slavery question, treating it in precisely the same manner and in language nearly identical, as in his recent lecture at the Mechanics' Institute. He alluding to a rumor that Southern Senators would going to the Capitol at the next session of Congress "armed to the teeth," he said Northern Senators would not shrink from any course, personal or political. His speech throughout was cordially received.

At 1 o'clock the Convention took a recess until 2. A speech from GEORGE E. DUNN, Esq., was to follow, after which the resolutions were to be submitted to the consideration of the Convention.

Legal from Havana—Arrival of the Columbus.

The United States Mail steamship *Columbus*, R. W. SHUFELDT, Commander, from New-Orleans the 5th and Havana the 11th, arrived here this afternoon, four days and fifteen hours from Havana.

The political news from the Island of Cuba is unimportant. The discussing the "Negro Question" is progressing, there appearing no further need of their services.

The sugar mills have ceased grinding, and many thousand boxes are left standing in the fields that could not be conveyed to the sugar-houses on account of the rains. The markets continue [illegible] at the advanced figures of last advices for simple products and the stock diminishing. The health of Havana has been unusually good during the past Winter and Spring and continues so to the present time. Showers every day, and it is confidently believed they [illegible] will [illegible] this season.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

HAVANA, Wednesday, July 11, 1855.

The steamer *El Dorado*, SCHENCK, master, went to sea yesterday morning, with the intention of reaching New-York for the purpose of repairs, she leaking so badly that she was only kept free by constant action of the pumps. There were very few letters entrusted to her, and but one or two passengers, who took their chances to sink or swim.

The steamer *Isabel*, ROBLING, for Charleston, with United States mails and passengers, left port at 7 A. M. 10th, and probably remained near the *El Dorado* during the morning hours. Without very bad weather she will probably get safe to port; but she has been for several trips unfit for the service she was assigned. The test made by Capt. MCGOWAN, in the *Crescent City*, of the Quarantine regulations at New-Orleans against vessels from the Havana is appealed here, under the belief that the spirit of the law was violated in the absolute want of the shadow of cause in our health, for the restriction; that the law did not require Quarantine of vessels coming from the one healthy port in the world; for if we take the mortality records of the past three weeks, as far as we can match them, we find ourselves alone entitled to Quarantine the balance of creation;—but we shall not be so unwise as to do so, while we have a box of sugar left and freights continue so low as at this moment—6 cts. per box to Boston to-day, and $1.709 for 2,500 boxes to Philadelphia. I hand reports for balance of the story.

The United States sloop-of-war *Falmouth*, Commander SHAW, arrived last evening. All well on board. Remaining, as ever.

HAVANA MARKETS.

For Cabanas:] HAVANA, Tuesday, July 10, 1855.

Since 26th ult., date of our last report, business has been active, although often interrupted by heavy rains in the early part of this month.

SUGARS have been in brisk request at advanced prices for all classes, excepting Whites, for which there is but little demand. Accounts, though, by the last advices from Europe and the United States are not favorable, they have had no effect upon our market, holders being free in their pretensions and refusing to sell below our quotations. The stock in warehouse is to-day about 100,000 boxes against 170,000 in 1854, 215,000 in 1853, and 135,000 in 1852, same periods. Molasses has not for moderate supply; we note sales of several lots of inferior at 5¼ to 5½c., and fair at 6½ to 6¾c. There is at present no stock undisposed of. Our quotations are as follows: Whites, common to Fine, 6½ to 10 rls. Brls. 1854. to Box. 614. Yellows, common to Florence 6½ to 8½ rls., Brls. 7½d. to Box. 1854. Browns, No. 11 to 12 6½ to 6¾ rls., Box. 42. to Rls. 616. Coarse muscovado No. 6 to 10 6 rls., Box. 614.

CIGARS are on last superior. Exports during the fortnight: 1,540 mills to the United States, 1,748 France, and 1,750 other ports, in all 7,000 mills.

TOBACCO is in moderate request and prices are firm as our last. Exported during the fortnight, 352,266 lbs., principally to Spain and the United States.

EXCHANGES.—The amount of bills offered for sale being been very large, rates have ruled very low. Since the beginning of this week there is more demand at a decided improvement. We quote to-day London 9 @ 9 cent. prem.; Paris 5¼ to 4 @ cent. disc.; New-York and other Northern cities 2½ to 2½ @ cent. disc.; New-Orleans short 2½ @ cent. discount.

BUNDLES AND GOVERNMENT STOCK.—Fifty Fifties, 100,000 feet Mobile sold at 62½, 62,000 feet Charleston at 62½; and 134,000 feet Pensacola, at 57½ @. White Pine Boards—60,000 feet Bath, at 620; 60,000 feet Kennedy Spruce, at 620; 110,000 feet Bath, at 620; 145,000 feet do., at 622 50; and 134,000 feet do., at 625. Bbd. Shooks, from store, 1,500 Portland at 64 @; 2,000 superior, at 68; 200 at 68 75; and 126 at 69 @. Molasses.—No sale of Sugar Bbd. Shooks have been reported. Hoops—26,000 Rhode Island, short, at 64; 19,000 long, at 64; 2,000 at 64; and 1,000 at 64. Empty Hhds.—600 Sugar, on hand. Molasses have ruled tailed at 63; and 112 at 63 25; and 100 [illegible] at 63. [illegible] Bay Rum Shooks, are almost entirely [illegible] [illegible] of fresh imported, first quality, [illegible] these prices.

FREIGHTS.—A very small [illegible] have been done since our last: loaded five charters for Havana, [illegible] vis.: one of 400 hhds., at £3; one of 2,000, at £3 10s.; one of 2,400, at £3 12s. 6d.; one of 1,600, at £3; one of 4,500, at £3 2s. 6d.; and one of 3,200, for Falmouth or Cowes, at £3 7s. 6d.; one of 2,700, for Cowes, at £3 10s.; one of 2,000, for Antwerp, at £3 12s. 6d.; one of 2,500, for Cuxhaven, at £3 5s.; one of [illegible] at £3 2s.; one of 1,300, for Barcelona, at [illegible]; one of 2,000 bales Tobacco, for Alicante, at [illegible]; and Valencia, at $1 25. To the United States, [illegible] anything doing except the regular packets; one charter for

OUR INDIAN ARMY.

[illegible] the following interesting sketches of the movements of the United States troops stationed in New-Mexico to prevent or punish Indian incursions, were written by an Assistant Surgeon in the Army to his father, a well-known gentleman of this City:

NEW-MEXICO, FORT MASSACHUSETTS, Tuesday, March 13, 1855.

My last letter left you in some doubt as to our position. Owing to the severe weather we have been able to commence the campaign against the Indians. Our forces will amount to two hundred and some four hundred volunteers, mostly mounted. We shall probably start in a few days, and shall probably be out a long time, though [illegible] will give fight instead of running away, which latter is more destructive to men and animals than battle, to range in [illegible] and the mountains high and numerous. Besides, the climate of the country is very severe, and [illegible] to walk up a hill without getting winded and being obliged to rest. The snow is also very deep, adding greatly to the troubles and hardships. Still various to subsist on, if we have no other, the Indians for, will render the expedition [illegible] pleasant.

In the southern part of New-Mexico another war is going on against the Indians in that quarter. Capt. STANTON, who came out with me, was killed in an engagement there. After having pursued the Indians all day, with continual fighting, being in a bad position, he ordered the men to retreat, and in doing so two of his soldiers were killed. He went back to see to offices, and while [illegible] was shot in the hand and killed instantly. His body was stripped by the Indians, and [illegible] by order of the commander, that the [illegible] be brought away, as we were too far from any settlement to attempt to carry it. All the men were dismounted and walked behind the horses, driving them with their muskets to keep them in a trot. Capt. S. was one of the finest men I ever knew, and Mrs. S. a very fine, accomplished lady.

I came near being the next officer on the catalogue of killed, though in a different part of the country. We are obliged to transact all our business, that need our attention, in a town called Taos, [illegible] miles distant. There are [illegible] transactions and a mail ready, but improvement was ordered to start, and I volunteered to accompany him, to attend to the business, and also to make some necessary purchases for myself. The road being infested by Indians, we traveled the first half of it by night. We reached a Mexican town called Costes, and being assured by the people that there was no danger between that and the next town, and that no trails or Indians had been seen on that road since the were chased, we started from Costes for Red River, thirty-five miles of smooth road, early the next morning. We were just out of sight of the town, when we saw a little ahead of us, off to the right, about fifteen warriors, armed with bows and arrows and rifles, and on looking back saw a large body of Indians attacking the town, and driving off herders. Seeing we had no chance of escape but by beating the party ahead of us, and knowing the town of Red River lay to a straight line, we left the road, which was crooked, and taking a "bee line" gave the Indians the advantage, that the race might be fair. Spurs were thrust into our horses, and off we started upon a keen jump. For about five miles we made some good running, but then the difference between grain-fed and poor grass fed animals began to tell. We beat, however, winning the race easily. I was not so much frightened as [illegible] afterwards. With rifles in our hands, and revolvers in our belts, and both feet pounding the sides of our animals, we must have been a sight to behold.

The Indians killed two men on the road behind us, and several at the towns, besides stealing two thousand sheep, and a number of cattle, mules and horses.

The soldier's horse stood the race better than mine, which was so completely crippled that I was obliged to trade him off, and have one now that was the better "tail" traveling if called upon. We were the heroes of Taos, and our caution was highly approved by our commander. We returned under the escort of Capt. MCCREA's company of Infantry, which relieves the company at this post, which has been ordered out in the field. Capt. MCCREA has been twenty-nine years in service, and has lost a leg.

Our post is now a little better off for society, there being five officers, including your humble servant. *Wicked grumbling* I can say that the seven months' service I have performed for the United States, has been attended with but little pleasure, and the future promises but little better. There are some medical officers in the country who *have never been on a scout, or hardly out of the vicinity* of their respective stations. But I do not complain, for with a constitution of iron I can speak to them, though I am growing rusty in my profession for want of reading material and practice.

I am quite busy now getting medicines, instruments and bandages packed in panniers to carry on mules. On the army scout each officer is allowed a mule to carry his blanket, provisions, &c., and Col. BURKE and myself have rigged up a tent sufficient about as much as a buffalo skin, to keep off the storms at night, which will be quite a luxury, for with snow under you and more falling over you, it is rather a cold bed for a nap. Before starting however, I would not mind eating a meal with Mrs. C., in order to refresh my mind as to the taste of a potato or other vegetable.

So that you may be able to find the location of this port on the map, if you wish, I give you the following outlines. The latitude is 37° 21' 59" and longitude 103° 40' west of Greenwich. The altitude of the Barometer above the level of the sea, 7200 feet. The mountains which surround the Post are those laid down on the map as the Como Blanco, or White Mountains, called so from being always covered with snow. These are a spur of the Rocky Mountains, and run through New-Mexico, and we port is near the White Mountains. The nearest Fort to our north is Laramie, which is eight hundred miles distant. The nearest one to our left is supposed to be nine hundred miles; to the east, Fort Atchison on the Arkansas, 600 miles; to our south, Cantonment Burgwin, 110 miles. You see, therefore, we are quite isolated from the rest of the military world. Over this vast territory roam over 10,000 Indian warriors, some bands of whom are at peace, and some at war. Most of these bands are at war with each other, happily for us. To-day, we had an alarm that the Indians were trying to run off with our stock. In ten minutes, sixty soldiers were on the run towards the stragglers, I bringing up the rear, with that gun in hand, revolvers in my belt, medicine case in one pocket, and bandages in the other. We saw about half a mile, when we found the Indians to be Mexican traders coming in from a trading expedition with the Arapahoes and Shiennes. Late in the evening, a spy company of volunteers has just arrived, bringing the news that the command has started from Taos; on arriving here we join them and proceed on the campaign. Probably we shall have to go to Grand River, about half way to Utah lake, and we may have to proceed there to quiet proceedings, if we should be nearer that place this fall.

Colonel FAUNTLEROY, our commanding officer, says he is going to use every exertion to find and chastise the Utahs, the only fun we shall have on this trip.

FORT MASSACHUSETTS, Sunday, April 8, 1855.

We have just returned from the first scout of the campaign, and resting on our oars, while we recruit ourselves and animals to start again. We left this post 500 strong on the 14th of March, and encamped on the Rio Trinchera, (so called on account of its being formed by three rivers,) about twelve miles distant from the Fort. The next morning we were awoke at 2 o'clock, and soon our fires were in blaze; and marching this day, we traveled about twenty miles westwardly, and encamped on the Trinchera again, near where it empties into the Rio Grande. The next morning we were up bright and early,—traveled this day southwest, following up the Rio Grande. We found to-day where the Indians had killed some stolen sheep, but no trail was discovered. We encamped after traveling some 22 miles, and again next day we set out early and travelled 21 miles, being obliged to rest here at the mouth of the Culoa, through which the head waters of the Rio Grande flow, and where Col. FAUNTLEROY lost so many men and animals while attempting to discover a new pass to California, some two or three years since, the men having frozen to death. Some 20 spies were dispatched to see if there were any traces of Indians, and late in the evening came in reporting in the negative.

The next day we made another early start, when KIT CARSON, our guide, struck a fresh trail of Indians and their stolen stock. We traveled along the range of mountains lying on the west side of the great valley of St. Louis—Col. BENTON's backbone of America, where he contemplates having the Pacific Railroad pass, in order to get through the Rocky Mountains. This valley is about one hundred miles long, level as a floor. It can be easily entered from the mountain streams, and made the garden of New Mexico, instead of a parterre for game, and the running ground for wild Indians.

We kept the trail for about twenty-five miles, and encamped on a small stream, near where the Utahs had been summering, which place they were obliged to leave on account of the small-pox; the bones of the victims of this scourge were lying scattered about upon the ground, having been well cleaned by the wolves.

This night we were not allowed fires, on account of the supposed proximity of the Indians, which was cold comfort, but with cold frozen bacon, cold water and a little bread, we appeased our appetites and slept soundly.

The next day we were out early and accoutred in our war instruments, for KIT CARSON prophesied we were to have a fight, and his word in such affairs is as good as wheat. We pushed on to the pass leading to Grand River and California, where poor Capt. GUNNISON crossed, and was subsequently killed by the Indians. The place has an Indian name, pronounced, but not spelled, "Low Watchy." At about 1 o'clock KIT CARSON and our quartermaster, being a little in advance, reached the top of a hill, from whence they discovered about 150 warriors about a mile distant, coming down, as we supposed, to commence another plundering expedition. They called out to us in Spanish to come on. The order was to surround them, but the Indians seeing our force, broke like sheep and ran for the mountains, leaving bloody trails as they vanished. We had two men wounded, while the Indians lost two chiefs and six men killed, besides a good number wounded. Four days after we overhauled them again, killed some, took a number of horses, meat, camp utensils, and some prisoners. One woman told us she had destroyed her own child and a niece, and that others did the same, to prevent our capturing them. Our prisoners tell us this band is entirely destitute, and must starve, as the snow is so deep that they cannot join other portions of their tribe. Probably they will make peace and cease murdering and stealing. We had one wounded man to carry back to our fort. The process of doing this may be novel to you. A litter is made of two long poles, with shafts at each end, while the man rides in a buffalo robe, tied on each side to the poles; he has a mule before and one behind. *You would be surprised* at the place these portable beds can travel over, and how easy they are to the wounded. Lieut. Col. ST. VRAIN, who is the oldest mountaineer in this country, assured me he had carried a man six weeks in this way, until his broken thigh united, and that he had also traveled in like manner, while suffering from small pox. We journeyed where no white man or Mexican had been before, as we had the oldest hunters, trappers and guides in the country with us, and they said so. KIT CARSON amused us with a description of his travels, his visit to the States, and of his being Col. BENTON's guest. KIT has as fine a head as DANIEL WEBSTER, and had he been well educated, would have made the greatest explorer and engineer living. He has been offered a commission in the army, but refused it. I was greatly deceived in this man, having imagined him to be a braggadocio. On the contrary, he is modest and unassuming, does not drink, and is brave as a lion. Some Mexicans killed a young squaw in a fight, taking her for a man. When KIT heard of it, he *sprang on his feet, and said if he could restore her* to life he would give $500. I never saw a more tender-hearted man. A dog was drowning at one of our camps, being unable to get out of the river. KIT started himself as much to save it as if the dog had been a human being. One beautiful sight I saw while passing through a deep gorge in the mountains. My horse was carefully picking out his path over the rocks—beneath ran a stream whose course was dammed up now and then by the beavers who inhabited it—on the banks of the ponds were moss grown, fallen trees—and hot springs sent their fumes to heaven from the opposite side of the pass. The day was beautiful, and lent its aid to the grandeur of the scenery. I think the territory of Utah, from the little I saw of it, much more valuable than that of New-Mexico.

You may suppose, from what I have written about killing and fighting Indians, that they are unjustly treated; but were you here, and heard of the murders and depredations they have committed on the inhabitants, you would think differently. These bands of Apaches and Utahs have broken treaty after treaty, and now hold in bondage Mexican women and children, whom they treat barbarously.

FORT MASSACHUSETTS, Thursday, May 10, 1855.

Our men having suffered severely from exposure to the rough climate of Northern New-Mexico on our last scout in the mountains, against the hostile bands of Utahs and Apaches, who have been plundering and murdering our citizens at pleasure, believing they were able to cope with the forces and resources of the United States, we were obliged to recruit a few days.

We next started under the command of Col. FAUNTLEROY, 1st Dragoons, who had previously detached about half the command, (250 men,) and placed them under the orders of Lieut.-Col. ST. VRAIN, of the New-Mexico Volunteers, to follow a large trail of Indians, supposed to be Apaches, who were traveling in a different direction from our contemplated route. Our Division consisted of D Company, 1st Dragoons; D Company, 2d Artillery, and two Companies of the New-Mexico Volunteers. We left this post on the 22d of April, with favorable weather. Every member of our party was full of bright hopes of surpassing the results of the last scout, which was the most successful of any yet performed against the Indians in this Territory, bands of whom have held out for ten years, notwithstanding powerful means have been brought to bear against them. They can do this, being defended in a great measure by nature—the country being so formed as to render almost any force sent against them useless, before these depredators can be reached and punished.

We struck out in a northerly direction, keeping on the edge of the great Valley of St. Louis, or rather on the line of junction between it and the Sierra Blanco and the West Mountains, which are a spur of the Rocky Mountains.

Every stream was used to prevent our discovery by the Indians, who are always on the alert, by making no fires, and traveling each three nights and day as would best conceal us; while spies were scanning the country ahead. By forced marches we soon reached the head of the St. Louis valley, when we discovered a recent trail of a few Indians traveling North, supposed to be going on a Buffalo hunt. We pushed on rapidly through the Puncha Pass to the country bordering on the upper waters of the Arkansas River, when our spies came to inform us that they had struck a large trail of some 500 animals, at a point where they had all congregated from various parts of the country. The trail was about one day old, and the Indians were traveling slowly. This good news aroused every one to new exertions, for every sign went to show that the Indians were off their guard.

It was about 10 o'clock in the evening when we received this intelligence, and it was but short work packing and getting on the trail. Our spies followed it by moonlight. We marched with scarcely a word spoken, till about 4 o'clock of the morning of the sixth day out from here, when our spies sent word that the trail turned off, and that the Indians were encamped in the neighborhood. We soon came up, when the order was given for the mounted men to dismount, and a sufficient number of men were detailed to dismount and take charge of and defend our packs and animals. Spies were sent out to reconnoitre, and soon returned with the news that the Indians were in a large body encamped near by, enjoying a war dance. We felt certain now that our attack was to be a surprise. Orders were given to the picked men to creep upon and run off with their horses, while the attack was being made. The Indians outnumbered us, and had their families with them, which always causes them to be unusually brave, so it was thought not advisable to attempt to surround them, but to attack them in the form of a semi-circle, and in this manner the men were marched up, making as little noise as possible.

We approached them unobserved till within a short distance, and could see them dancing and *singing, reminding us of the witches in "Macbeth,"* little thinking that in a moment's time many of them would be passing from life to death. A dog in their camp having smelt us began to bark, and thus gave the alarm. The word "fire" was given, when over two hundred rifles and revolvers opened upon them, looking like sheets of fire coming from each soldier's mouth, and sending missiles of death to many a poor red man.

Those who were able to run, started with the little they had, and in their confusion rushed into thicker fire and upon certain death. Our men followed up the stragglers, and for one hour we could hear nothing but the cracking of rifles. The Indians had seized some of their guns when alarmed, and returned our shots as they ran.

We killed about forty in all, captured all their provisions, six children, most of their arms, baggage, and trinkets too numerous to mention. Previous to this fight, our men had marched ninety miles in thirty-two hours, waded creeks that were swollen, eaten but one meal during that time; in fact, for five days—day and night most of the time—they were on the march, without fires to cook anything over, yet hardly a complaint was heard. But they received their reward by accomplishing one of the most effective blows ever struck against any band of Indians.

After scouring the adjacent country to the Indian encampment during the forenoon of the sixth day out, which resulted in capturing horses, goats, sheep, &c., our men came in almost exhausted, and were satisfied, for the time, with a mouthful of food. *We had two men killed*, who were buried with military honors on our return to the encampment, and one wounded.

The next day we were *en route* back to a pass, which lies on the west side of the valley of St. Louis, and through which Capt. GUNNISON passed *when he left the Territory for Salt Lake, where he* was killed. We were in hopes to find some Indians here, as this is one of their great resorts. We reached this Pass on the evening of the 1st of May, (our ninth day out.) Here we found a few lodges of Indians, but they discovered us in time to get away, after losing two of their warriors, who were killed in the chase we gave them. The next morning they were reinforced by the straggling members of the party we had so cut up on the Arkansas. Skirmishing commenced early (the tenth day out) in the morning, and lasted all day. During the day, BLANCO, the head chief, made his appearance on a high ledge of rocks, and asked for peace, but was afraid to come in our camp. His speech was cut short by a Mexican, who had, unbeknown to the rest of the party, crept up on the rocks and shot at him. The little courage the old chief had left vanished with this shot, and he and his party disappeared immediately, scattering in every direction, and leaving no trail that could be followed. Two more Indians were killed this day, and another camp and a large number of houses captured. We then proceeded slowly through the mountains down to the Rio Grande, examining the country *thoroughly* as we went along. We wished to cross the Rio Grande and proceed further South, but the stream was so swollen as to prevent such a course. So we bent our way on again, so as to obtain fresh supplies and recruit. We reached this Fort on the 9th of May, and consequently have been sixteen days out. After recruiting a few days, and giving the Indians time to collect again, we will start out, and this scout will probably be the final of the campaign, as the Indians cannot hold out much longer, having no implements of war and nothing to subsist upon, and no means of procuring supplies. Yours, D. W. C. P.

KANSAS AFFAIRS.

Attempts to Seize the Lands of the Delaware Indian Reservation.

We publish the following letter because it comes from a responsible source, and purports to state facts of considerable interest in connection with the current history of Kansas.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, July 10, 1855.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

The most interesting region of Kansas at present is that adjacent to the confluence of the Missouri and Kansas Rivers. Bounded on the east by the Missouri, and on the south by the Kansas, lies the Delaware region. The reservation for a home for this tribe extends forty miles along the course of the Kansas. It comprises some 275,000 acres. Northward and westward of this is a region of about 600,000 acres, which the Delawares in the Treaty of the 6th of May, 1854, ceded to the United States in trust. This tract has a boundary of ten or twelve miles along the Missouri River, running south from Fort Leavenworth, and, of course, immediately opposite Platte County, Missouri, and but a few miles from Weston, Platte City and Liberty, all in Missouri. This land, so ceded in trust, has proved a strong temptation to many of those in its vicinity who know its value, and has proved the source of much strife also.

By the second section of the treaty I have named the United States agree to cause this land to be surveyed in the manner in which our public lands are usually surveyed, and forthwith to offer it for sale at public auction, in such quantities as the President may deem proper.

In the sixteenth section, the law of March 3, 1807, is extended to it, and this law declares that such lands shall not be occupied without the consent of the United States; that titles obtained otherwise than in the manner prescribed shall be forfeited; that it shall be lawful for the President to cause the removal of all squatters, by the Marshal and his assistants, or by the military if necessary.

The history of the nefarious transactions of an association of men, who, in known violation of the treaty of the 6th of May, 1854, and in avowed defiance of the opinion of the Attorney General of the United States on that treaty, attempted to claim as by preemption the lands of the Delaware Indians, which were so manifestly excepted from such preemption, this history, I say, cannot be wholly unknown, for it is given in full in Congressional House Document, Executive, No. 20, 1st Session, Thirty-third Congress. All of it is there, probably, excepting the letter of Secretary DAVIS of December 18, 1855, in effect calling upon President PIERCE to dismiss Commissioner MONROE PERRY for his "injustice and discourtesy" to these law-defying officers of the Government. That association had little respect for Northern sentiments, as I shall show.

On the 29th of September, 1854, "a meeting of the settlers of Kansas Territory" was held at the city of Leavenworth. The preamble to the resolutions adopted commences: "Whereas, we the squatters upon the Delaware session of public lands in Kansas Territory," &c.

In this is an avowal of an act in defiance of the treaty of the United States with those Indians, and the Attorney General's opinion upon it also. The third resolution modestly asked for the legalizing of their actions by "the immediate extension of the preemption law over this district;" and the fifth resolution alludes to "the known views of the present administration in relation to the speedy settlement of these territories."

It was also resolved, on motion of JEREMIAH CLARKE, that "we have continued and unshaken confidence in the wisdom and integrity of the present administration, the *avowed advocate and champion of 'popular sovereignty in the territories;'* and further, "*that we commit the protection of our interests to the Hon.* DAVID R. ATCHISON, *whose distinguished abilities and position, familiarity with Indian affairs, and sympathy with the pioneer, indicate him as our best advocate.*"

Was this a lawful meeting of citizens, and was it moved by sympathy with *Northern* settlers? No one will assert that it was. Were the centers of this meeting opposed to its proceedings? Assuredly not, or they would not have been there; for *it met as a body of squatters* on lands which the United States had promised by treaty should not be occupied except after proceedings that had not then been observed. Who, then, were the centers on this occasion? I quote from the minutes of the proceedings, as sent to the President:

"In the absence of the Committee the following gentlemen addressed the meeting: B. H. TWOMBLY, General DUNHAM, Major MOKAM, C. C. ANDREWS, D. A. N. and C. H. GOVER, and Rev. FREDERICK STARR."

The latter gentleman was assuredly then, (in September last,) not in a very fair way to forfeit his usefulness by his devotion to the cause of justice and freedom; nor had he changed his views in regard to the latter subject at late as the *30th of March last*, as I am prepared to demonstrate from his public acts.

Far would it be from me to seek to weaken the influence of any friend of Freedom in this struggle against the aggression of Slavery; but, whatever may be Mr. STARR's purposes, if consistent opposition to Slavery is among them, he is singularly unfortunate in the manifestation of it. PENN.

Difficulties to be Encountered by the Free Citizens of Kansas.

From the Free State, (Lawrence, Kansas,) July 2.

It is a matter of extreme regret that we observe such contradictions of the Free State party on topics appearing so widely different as to the true policy which it should pursue in the present political phase of affairs. *We hear every shade of opinion* advanced, from forcible resistance to the present constituted authorities, to a tame and quiet submission to all the wrongs and outrages which we have suffered, until the future shall replace our liberties. One man says that the repeal of the Missouri Compromise was a high-handed outrage, that all our elections have been high-handed outrages, and that the Governor acted highly injudicious in granting certificates to men fraudulently elected, and he is in favor of repudiating the whole *Legislative Assembly and all its acts, &c.* Another differs by observing that this bill was a very judicious and proper enactment, that the Governor did all he could do, his hands being tied by the bill, but that the citizens of Kansas were to blame in not entering protests in the time specified by the proclamation so as to have enabled the Governor to set the elections aside. Yet he is in for repudiation, and a total disregard for all the enactments of the present bastard Legislature, but hold that the Governor has no right to dissolve or prorogue that body. He also holds that the Free State members elect on the 22d of May, should stay at home and not present their credentials before that body at all. Another is opposed to a total repudiation and a premature declaration to disregard all their enactments until he can see what they are and what will be their effect, that such an act would stultify the Governor in ordering a new election, and would be repudiating our own Free State members elect. Another is for submission at present, but make all necessary preparations for defending our rights in case of future invasions. Another says he cannot cooperate with the Free State party unless that party expresses itself opposed to the immigration to this Territory of free negroes.

And so we might go on through the whole, for it is useless. Our party being made up of so many component parts—embracing every man that has been capable of appreciating the difference between right and wrong—is what makes it so exceedingly difficult to unite them on one grand platform of principles. On two points they are a unit. They all desire that Kansas should be a Free State, and they all condemn the outrages perpetrated by the Pro-Slavery party at our elections, by which a great majority of the members hold their seats by fraud. But the party being composed of some radicals, who are unwilling to give an inch, in order to obtain the cooperation of their fellow men—Whigs, Democrats, and Free-Soilers, with their old notions, that have been maturing for years—when these all come together they exhibit a student clinging to their old views, and *there does not one force sufficiently bold as to take the responsibility of laying down a platform of principles which would make a grand local point around which all Free State men should rally; it appears that we are not ripe for such circumstances, like sheep having no shepherd.* Nebraska Democrats say that the Free State party, owing to these facts, can accomplish nothing. We must, say they, have an organization of a national character, around which all can rally and be effective work, and that the best plan is a reorganization of the National Democracy.

They are unwilling that their favorite doctrine of Popular Sovereignty should fail, and if there is any credit due to those that make Kansas free, they wish to have it, as their salvation depends on its being free. Yet they would prefer leaving their support to Slavery, rather than cooperate with that class of Free State men who are in favor of the immigration of free negroes, and granting them the privilege of the elective franchise.

The Pro-Slavery party is always a unit. It is Slavery first, last, always and eternally with them. They entertain but the one idea, the promotion of the Slave interests, and suffer nothing incidental to distract their attention from this one great object. Such is the melancholy state of affairs in Kansas Territory. Difficulties, which all good Free State men should seek by all honorable means to surmount. *This can only be done by a thorough organization of all these who are in favor of a Free State.* We are not so self-conceited and time-blinded as not to cooperate with any class of men, who have for their object the freedom of Kansas, yet with certain views somewhat different from our own. If a broad platform of principles were established, such as would embrace all who are willing to go for a Free State, and then cast away all minor differences, our object would be very easily gained.

But the very men who are most clamorous about casting away minor differences, are the very men who are most tenacious of their own ways of thinking, and they are unwilling to stand on any platform but that conceived in their own minds, taking the most radical ground. The question with all should be, what means shall we use to accomplish the great end for which we all profess to be laboring? Everything is at present against us. The Legislative Assembly, the Judiciary, all those who have anything to do with executing the laws are against us. What then can we do?

We can do nothing until we are thoroughly organized and fully understand each other. To attempt any settled course of policy before this is done, is exceedingly hazardous, and might be productive of very injurious results to our cause. To have a general expression of opinion from the Free State voters of the whole territory, and then a platform of principles adopted,—which will best accomplish the end we desire, and cast other defeats into the ranks of our opponents,—is certainly the great want of the Free State party. It is this want of the organization that has caused us all along. It prevented our being concerted in many instances in the last election.

These ideas, which we have thus endeavored to throw out, should be considered well by every man who pretends to have the best interests of Kansas at heart. That such an organization of the Free State party on liberal principles should be made before the election for delegate, is a work of the most urgent necessity. And we now ask the attention of every Free State man to this matter, and let us have a general Convention of Delegates for that special purpose. There has been no such convention attempted in Kansas as yet.

For three or four men to get together and call a convention without consulting the Free State voters of every district seems tame proceedings, in the height of folly. Let this matter be before the people sufficiently long that they will have time to weigh well matters, and make their arrangements so as to be able to attend and be prepared to do something worthy of the consideration of intelligent freemen.

SUMMER GLEANINGS.

NUMBER TWO.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

SARATOGA, July, 1855.

A dull, rainy morning, and nobody at the Springs but three managing women and five Catholic priests, who are taught to mind neither wind, nor weather, nor women, and so strictly do they obey their teachers, that their eyes instantaneously turn away when beauty draws near. One of them is very handsome himself, and like most handsome people, seems perfectly aware of it. A lady who has mingled with them much in the gaiety climes where they generate, says Priests are the most fascinating man in the world, especially if they are Jesuits! They are always known by the manner in which they are shaven and shorn.

But here comes a poor, withered, dried up little woman, and gives me a most cordial greeting, but I cannot recognize her. "Why, don't you remember me?" she says, "I was cook last Summer where you boarded;" and immediately I remember her *very definitely*, and listen to the story of her sorrows *since last we met*, with all the interest possible. Next comes passing a little Irish boy, with his round red face all smiles, but I have quite forgotten him too, but recall him perfectly when he tells me his mother is a washerwoman, and asks me if I will not come and see her. Bless his little trusting Irish heart. I will not be the one to teach him to doubt from human sympathy, or to expect coldness because he is not rich and gay. So I take his proffered hand and go to their little cabin, where another warm greeting reminds me that gratitude is cherished long in a true heart for very little favors.

Time, as there are so few this evening to interrupt us, I seek my old friend the gardener, who has kept these grounds in order nearly thirty years, and chat with him about the improvements which have been made and are in contemplation.

He is an Englishman, you may know by his stout, hearty form, and by his manners—as respectful, without servility; one of those honest yeomen which have been England's boast for centuries, and which are the strength of every land. He has seen the place grow up, and has an affection for it—and if you will take the trouble to talk with him, he will tell you a multitude of incidents, which will increase your interest in Saratoga, however long and kindly you may have observed it with your own eyes.

It is evident that the majority of gentlemen and ladies do not come to Saratoga to drink. Congress water before breakfast. They must be sixty people who don't "wake up" with the milkmen or market-men. I am sure it must be very seldom in their lives that they hear a bird sing, and they cannot love them as well as *some people*, or they would at least come out on pleasant mornings to listen to such music, after being confined so long to the miserable *institutions of operas and theatres*. Upon Congress Hall the carpenters are still at work, and yet the robins are not frightened away. Here is one within five inches of the hammer, trying to drown the stunning noise with his song, and I counted forty-five this very morning hopping among the trees. From the nest of one two little ones fell out to-day, before they were fledged, and it was really heartrending to witness the agony of the parents. What will become of the little ones? Ah, people here know the value of these beautiful creatures, and no sooner is it known to the proprietors that an accident has befallen the birdlings, than a servant and a ladder appear, and they are carefully restored to the nest and their mother's bosom. And when did human voices ever speak gratitude more plainly than the warbling of their little throats? Is it not love which their hearts yearn?

Next to the birds in beauty are these frolicsome children—some half a dozen babies in their nurses' arms, as many little girls hopping and screaming and jumping, while boys are shooting arrows across the green, and all are running to be the first to pick them up. The children are all sent forth in the morning early. Oh! it is a pity they cannot grow up among the birds and flowers.

But here is one who has always lived in the country, and listened only to the singing of birds, and now for the first time hears the stately music of the band. To her feet it is inspiration, and as from her appearance we must conclude that she has never been initiated into the mysteries of "balance" and "chassé," it is equally conclusive that dancing is to some one of nature's gifts.

"Oh, dear, what an intolerable bore it must be to you, to stay here two or three weeks," said a very nice gentleman to me, the first evening after his arrival.

"Why?"

"Oh, it is such a lazy life, and all this fuss and fashion."

"Oh, this gentleman has never been here before," thought I; "we will see what he will say before the week is out." But this I only thought to myself—to him I said: "Why, I have nothing more to do with fuss and fashion here than elsewhere. I work as many hours, and sleep as many hours, and spend no more in dressing. I talk more to be sure, and I know of no more profitable way of spending time." Gentlemen think, and very sensibly, gentlemen, too, that to talk about anything but law and politics is a miserable waste of time; and to talk with ladies—what a lowering of their dignity. Another declared that "nothing was to be learned of them but deceit and folly!!" I shall not undertake to defend them against this charge, for I think they are both deceitful and foolish. I only wish that when those in whom is centred all wisdom, and dignity, and gravity, come in communication with us, they would attempt to improve and elevate, instead of obeying quite so closely Paul's injunctions, and becoming all things to all, without the palliating motive of endeavoring to save some.

When some of these giddy dancers are weary with the whirl, I have talked with them in my cozy corner, and I have found that beneath the gauze and taffeta beat as true and deep feeling hearts as are to be found in the bosoms of man or woman elsewhere in the wide world. Gayety is no sign of frivolity or heartlessness, and the gay are very far from being the most given to dark and evil imaginings. There is a great difference between gayety and dissipation, though they are confounded in many minds, and those who are weeping and morose, and talk about living a life of sobriety and purity, and really think young, joyous creatures should or can possibly live likewise, have learned little of their own hearts, and have interpreted very falsely the hearts of others, when they thank the Lord that they are not as these publicans, for a great deal better.

But I must not forget to say that the nice gentleman who expected to feel very much as if he were in a dead-alive village, succumbed to the gaiety and delighted to remain in Saratoga, but believed in appreciating the fresh and cordial appearance of this case from the fact that he found the most intelligent and cultivated society, and having time for sociality where such frequenting business did not take place, has learned to appreciate it, so that the last words that I heard him say were in serious lamentation that business should compel him to return to New-York; and if I should tell you his name you would see that it was a great compliment to the good people assembled at Congress Hall.

MERVIN MYRTLE.

Letter from New-Hampshire—Travelling Facilities, &c.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

HANOVER, Friday, July 13, 1855.

"My foot is on my native heath!" and my heart leaps exultant in the presence of these granite hills. No wonder the natives of mountainous regions are distinguished for their love of country. I never could feel at home where there is no hill nor mountain to vary the line of the horizon, and where no river nor babbling brook sings to me its sweet melody. These merry little brooks—how full of life and of life's memories they are as they hasten on over their pebbly beds, now visible, and then hidden in the deep shadow of the forest. Not even the mighty Mississippi could move me as do these tiny streams, for they carry me back to days when all was bright and sunny, and life's shadows had not darkened my pathway.

We had a pleasant, though fatiguing, ride from Saratoga. The railroad, winding its way through the Green Mountains, is a triumph of New-England enterprise. I wish some of this same spirit could be infused into the State of my adoption, for then, instead of being proverbially behind the times, it would become the garden of the Middle States.

Some fellow-traveler, reluctant to leave all of Saratoga behind him, found himself at Rutland doomed to disappointment. The baggage-men had troused his trunk with their usual disregard of consequences, and the health-giving water was rapidly filtering, drop by drop, through his broadcloth and linen. The lookers-on were making sage remarks on the folly of packing bottles in a trunk; but, alas! people must generally learn from experience, and this gentleman was probably taking a first lesson. He could not have been much consoled by the imputations upon his common sense to which he listened.

At Rutland we were delayed two hours, waiting for the cars. The Bardwell House, a mass of red brick and green blinds, without a tree reaching higher than the second-story windows, was the most prominent object in the foreground of the picture upon which we gazed, while the Green Mountains loomed up grandly in the distance. It was a pleasant study to watch the light and shade upon their sides as the sun shone clear or veiled himself with clouds—a picture of life, ever varying from joy to sorrow, yet rendered more beautiful by these same transitions.

At Bellows Falls we were detained another two hours, for which we were repaid by a fine view of the Falls. The Island House is a large hotel, recently built, I should judge from its new look. Its surroundings are exceedingly attractive. Walks are laid out around the grounds, affording a pleasant promenade on the banks of the river. The Falls are immediately below, roaring and plunging as their hot haste to force a passage over the impeding rocks. These invalids to whom mountain air is recommended could not find a more desirable location for the Summer than this house affords. The far-famed valley of the Connecticut stretches out in the distance, and the Green Mountains lend their magnificent charms to the landscape. Arriving here late, his lady head a few miles in the north, inviting the traveler to come and look after, from his summit, over the picturesque country spread at his feet. Bellows Falls is but three days' ride from New-York.

Hanover is a fine specimen of a New-England village. The College has formed a nucleus for an unusually cultivated and refined society. The festivities of Commencement begin next week, in the examination of the classes. I am sorry to be obliged to inform you that Mr. CHASE is not to be here at Commencement. Prof. BROWN supplies his place. Prof. PHELPS, of Andover, also speaks instead of Prof. PARK, who was originally invited. Many persons, who would have enjoyed being here at Commencement, have, in years past, staid away because the accommodations at the hotels have been so miserable. There are now two good hotels. The Dartmouth is well kept, and, among its Summer boarders, numbers some of the choice spirits of New-York. The other hotel is kept by FARRAR, formerly of the White Hills, and is its own recommendation. ANNA HOPE.

Crops, New Wheat, &c. at the West.

From the St. Louis Republican.

ALTON, July 11, 1855.

This section of country was visited by a very opportune rain storm yesterday morning, of several hours continuance. The ground had become very dry and dusty, and all vegetation began to wither. But now the earth is well soaked, even to the bottom roots of corn and potatoes, and these crops may now be considered as made, whether it rains again or not for months to come.

The wheat harvest is finished here about, and the reapers are laid by in their corners and under barnsheds, except those adapted to marching, they are now briskly laying low the timothy and clover of this county. Oats have come on very finely, and the machines are about to launch into them. I have seen some oat fields of very large and heavy growth, nearly as high as my head, and the straw strong and coarse. Ripe, early apples are becoming plenty, and in a few days the luscious peach will grace our boards and dazzle urchins' eyes. Blackberries are ripening, grapes are doing well and have not begun to blight or mildew any materially as yet, and the vineyards vines in the American Bottom are healthy and prosperous; young peaches are to be found in large as a green egg, and in a month there will be plenty in market. Lovers of fruit should not commit suicide, therefore, because of disheartening gloomy posts.

New wheat begins to come in slowly, in small lots. One of our mills is grinding it, mixed equally with old wheat. Some 600 bushels of new crop were sold yesterday at $1 25. The opinion continues to prevail that it will drop down to $1 before August.

A letter received yesterday from Washington informs me that only about 3000 land warrants have yet been issued of denominations of 100 and 120 acres, and which sell at $1 10 to $1 15 per acre. My correspondent says that very little can be bought by buyers at these prices, and gives it as his decided opinion that warrants can be purchased in any quantity at 75 cents per acre, by the 1st of January next.

Western Matters at Washington.

From the St. Louis Republican.

WASHINGTON, Friday, July 6, 1855.

A good thing is being told here on Governor ISZARD and the Treasurer of Nebraska. It appears that all claims are respected except where more than one are held by the same individual. This was the case with Governor ISZARD, and the Treasurer, Mr. RANKIN, in the exercise of his squatter sovereignty, chose to jump one of the best locations. The Governor threatened and threatened, and the Treasurer held on and fortified. Mr. RANKIN named the place Sebastopol, and challenged the Governor to attempt an assault, but the challenge was respectfully declined, and Sebastopol has been laid off into town lots, and is fast rivaling its oriental namesake in importance.

I am informed that an investigation is now going on as to the participation of the Nebraska officials in fixing the seat of Government at Omaha City, and as to the success and means by which it has met participation in the matter. Rumor says that the Secretary of the Territory is becoming rich on the single speculation.

☞ Flour in California is quoted at $7; here we are paying $12.

NOTICES OF NEW BOOKS.

THE BRITISH AMERICAN REVIEW, for JULY. New-York: Gaylor, Hitchcock & Co.

There are two principal articles in this number of an old and popular periodical. They vary in value, as in subject. The opening paper, upon the Clubs of London, is very suggestive, and so pure. It appears to be a hash of certain articles (reminiscences) which appeared some thirty years ago in the *New Monthly Magazine*, then one of the best of London periodicals, under the editorship of THOMAS CAMPBELL, the poet. The only new matter which we perceive are the *Logos Conviviales*, drawn up by BEN JONSON, for the social meeting (which was not a club) at the old Devil Tavern, and the Rules of the Chelsea Club in London. The reviewer says, rather boastingly, "We believe it literally true, that, historic in the annals of the societies there, they are now for the first time given to the world, through the medium of an American journal." Does it strike him, that this previous non-publicity has arisen out of that really being of no account, except to the members alone?

The article in question is greatly inferior to the requirements and capabilities of the subject. Its accuracy, or to speak more, may be judged from the fact that GEORGE GRUIKSHANK is mentioned, plainly, as CRUIKSHANKS. The Garrick Dramatic Club is mentioned, but the critic omits to state that PEG WOFFINGTON, the celebrated actress, was its President at one time, and might be seen after the performance in Covent Garden Theatre, flourishing in the green-room, (where the Club held its weekly sittings) holding up a pot of porter in her hand, and crying out, "Confusion to all order! Let liberty thrive!" We are told, however, that the Duke of NORFOLK, (from his habits called the dirty Duke) was a member, and "after imbibing his six bottles he would proceed to some of the taverns of Covent Garden in the neighborhood, and there order green peas and an ortolan, at a time when the former were dear, guineas a pint. Being by no means either refined in appearance, or nice in his habits, he was on one of these occasions mistaken by a novice of a waiter for a detouched gardener from the adjoining market, and the Garden Gourmande was on the point of kicking him to the door for his presumed impertinence, when he luckily took the precaution of informing the landlord that 'that drunken cabbage grower had ordered an ortolan.' 'If he orders a dozen give him them immediately,' was mine host's prompt reply."

Here is a good story utterly spoiled in the telling. There is infinite absurdity in imagining the Duke of NORFOLK, a man of gigantic size and immense appetite, ordering one ortolan for his supper—the bird being not larger than a lark, and therefore only a single mouthful for him. Next, where were "some of the taverns of Covent Garden," where a man can obtain ortolans—a delicacy peculiar to the South of Europe, and rarely, if ever, brought into England. Lastly, what novice of a waiter would dream of kicking to the door one of the largest men in London? The fact is, the Duke went to dine at a tavern, ordered salmon to follow his soup, and asked the waiter whether cucumbers were in the market? The reply was in the affirmative, and the Duke, who always dressed carelessly, and was not known to the waiter, desired one to be brought. "They are a guinea apiece," responded the genius Ganymede. "Then, bring three," said the Duke. On appealing, in doubt between the homely appearance and the extravagant order, to the landlord, the reply was: "It is the Duke of NORFOLK, serve him with whatever he wants." As it was easier to supply a dozen cucumbers than as many ortolans, it is to be presumed that the Duke made a good dinner.

Of the twenty-two London Clubs, particular mention is made only of WHITE'S and BROOKES'S. Not a word of BOODLE'S, nor of the Alfred, which BYRON made frequented,—nor of the Traveler's, memorable for the *jeux d'esprit* of TALLEYRAND,—nor of the Oriental, frequented by East Indians as yellow as their own malligatawny,—nor of the Reform, where CHARLES BUTLER used to shine above, while BOYER literally "ruled the roast" below,—nor of the Athenæum, in which poor THEODORE HOOK'S "temperance corner" is yet shown and honored,—nor of the Union, to obtain membership in which a man must have his name on the proposal book for years,—nor of the United Service, at which "the Duke" frequently dined "off the joint" for eighteen pence,—nor of the University, more famous for *its punch* than its library,—nor of the Garrick, one of the pleasantest places of social resort in London. All are passed over in solemn silence. Truly, a very unsatisfactory article—with nearly all the Clubs left unrecorded—reminding one of the provincial performances of the tragedy of "Hamlet," with "the part of *Hamlet* omitted by particular desire."

Much superior in the notice of American Society, suggested by GRISWOLD'S Republican Court. The following anecdote is well-told, and not without a large portion of simple pathos:

"As the landmarks of the Revolution fade, every consecration of its genius, in marble, colors, or type, every attempt to reawaken the echo of its voice, should be gratefully welcomed; as the living representatives of that epoch depart, their testimony should be carefully recorded; as the precedents of those days are superseded, its noblest examples should be reinvoked. Those of us who have, for a brief space, stood within this fast vanishing circle, feel the more keenly the moral need which exists for prolonging its conservative spell by all the means that art and letters can afford. A few Summers past, it was our lot to sit beside an ancient dame at the hospitable board of a family of national celebrity, one of the most beautiful domains that adorn the banks of the Hudson. The bowed and silent figure was the personification of comfortable old age; listless, inert, and mechanical, yet serene, the torch of life seemed flickering towards gradual extinction, and awaiting only a breath to disappear. Through the open window played the breeze of June, and the swaying tendrils of a venerable and lofty elm made a checkered and shifting light on the smooth oak floor; the trill of a lavrock resounded in the warm hush of noon; massive plate of antique mould gleamed on the high sideboard; portraits of Revolutionary heroes were arranged on the wall; and the entire scene, the atmosphere, and the tranquillity contrived to induce that mood when the sense of Nature's glory is chastened by a feeling of human vicissitude. Suddenly a strain of martial music rose on the air. The old lady quivered, raised her eyes, clasped her hands, and exclaimed: "Ah! all intercession is vain; ARNOLD must die!" The chords of memory had been struck; she was thinking of the execution of the gallant British spy. Our hosts made signs for us to listen, and with nervous rapidity her colorless lips breathed the names of English officers who had paid their devoirs to her maiden beauty, renowned in its day; she described her *lofty head-dress* of ostrich feathers which caught fire at the theatre, and repeated the verses *of her admirer who was so fortunate* as to extinguish the flames; she dwelt upon the majestic bearing of WASHINGTON, *the elegance of the French*, and the dignitaries of the British officers; the bywords, the names of *gallants, belles, and heroes*, the incidents, the questions, the etiquette, of those times seemed to *live again in her tremulous accents*, which gradually become feeble until she fell asleep. It was like a voice *from the grave*; and we could not but feel how precarious was the tenure and how imperative the duty by which the personal details that give such life to history are to be rescued from oblivion. The same conviction subsequently rose to our minds on a Winter evening at the fireside of Mrs. MADISON; and more recently at the funeral of Mrs. HAMILTON."

Here, too, in a few words, is a vivid picture of what has passed away within our time almost:

"The broad and easy staircase; the paneled wall; the spacious and gleaming sideboard, on which were displayed the old silver tankard and candle-cup with armorial bearings; the white-robed and high-shouldered, the Scripture prints on the chamber wall; the low ceiling with its projecting cross-beam; the crackling wood-fire and polished andirons; the family portraits in ruffles, wigs, stomachers, broadcloth, velvet, and shoe buckles; the laboriously wrought samplers, framed as a material of female industry; the spider-legged round table, glistening with cups of friction, and paused in pre-drinking when that meal was "a perfect regale," and to discuss the merits of other and orthodox; the farmers, placed in grave silence and contemplating in Hogh, the massive punch-bowl, the secret of whose mysterious compound was known only to a few choice spirits; the venerable dame in mob-cap, the matron of the neighborhood, the idol of children, ensconced in a large arm-chair by the fireside, and forever plying her knitting-needles; the heavy, brass-clasped Bible on the quaint little stand beneath a mirror whose thick plate-glass so truly reflected every object; the thick and gay-tinted Turkey carpet, grateful to slippered feet and purring cat; the gracious tea-candy of lacker-wood; the diminutive panes which gave back the crimson glow of sunset or transmitted to the wanderer's eye the hospitable fire-gleam; the open face of the venerable clock at the head of the stairs, or in the kitchen corner, with the moon rising over the dial-plate; the sweet, musty odor of still life in our ancestral domiciles may offer but a homely comment to the more gaudy and intricate arrangements of modern housekeeping; yet they are delightfully associated with domestic comfort, and over an unperverted fancy still exert a conservative spell."

Were we to quote what is good in this paper on American Society, we should reprint the whole of it.

Mount Lebanon, Lord CARLISLE'S Diary in Turkish and Greek waters, (a pleasant, feeble book, which owes its popularity almost wholly to the high rank, social position, and political and personal character of its amiable author.) *Rt. cent Records of Travel*, by PRESS. DE SYRAGUE and Professor UPHAM, supply materials for other articles. There is a readable notice of the late HORACE BINNEY WALLACE,—a recondite essay on the Persistence of Physical Laws,—a notice of MAURICE'S Lectures on Learning and Working, and a highly interesting article, full of antiquarian and historical lore and gossip, on the Private Life and Household of CHARLEMAGNE.

The briefer critical notices which conclude the No. are generally well-written. In the notice of Lady BURLINGTON'S Memoirs, a mistake of carelessness occurs, where it is said that her furniture, books, &c., were "knocked down by the hammer of the eloquent auctioneer, GEORGE ROBBINS." One trifling reason why the fact was different is, that GEORGE ROBBINS, (who, by the way, though a *popular* was never an *eloquent* auctioneer,) was dead in May, 1849, when the sale took place. As Dr. MADDEN repeatedly mentions that Mr. PHILLIPS was the auctioneer, the reviewer's error is rather strange.

We take leave to suggest that the list of new publications received might be rendered useful were it made alphabetical, or, better still, arranged under different heads. At present it occupies several pages which might be better filled.

The Sure Anchor; or, The Young Christian Admonished, Exhorted and Encouraged, by Rev. H. P. ANDREWS, is a small volume of good advice which the young of both sexes may read with advantage—particularly as their attention will be kept awake by the practical illustrations given by the writer. Published by JAMES FRENCH & Co., Boston.

We have not a house to build—unfortunately. If we had, it is probable that we should feel some special interest in the *Art of Stair Building*—a book written by J. R. PERRY, stair builder, illustrated by plans, sections, and other practical illustrations neatly engraved. It simplifies a very difficult part of domestic architecture. Published by A. RANNEY, New-York.

The Book of Men, Women and Babies, professing to be a semi-physiological treatise, is good for nothing, and worse than that. We should be sorry to see it in the hands of any one whom we regarded. Published by DE WITT & DAVENPORT.

Encampment of the National Guards—Melancholy Accident.

The Seventh Regiment, (National Guards,) Col. DURYEA, return to the City on Saturday afternoon, from their week's encampment at Kingston, and was received at the landing by the 71st Regiment, under command of Col. VOSBURG, and looked finely, though, of course, somewhat jaded.

The encampment has been a very satisfactory and pleasing one throughout, with the exception of a melancholy accident which occurred there on Friday. The Regiment was going through the battalion movements, and all the different firings. The various companies had fired twice successively, and the whole left wing once, when the order was given for the right wing to load and fire. The order was obeyed with promptness, but scarce had the smoke cleared from the ground ere a piercing and heart-rending cry fell upon the ears of every one present, and it was soon found that a young country woman with her child had been shot by a ball from one of the muskets. The unfortunate young woman was borne in the arms of several soldiers to the hospital tent, where upon examination, it was found that the ball had entered the right side of the left breast, about an inch and a half below the nipple, passing entirely through the breast, entering the left arm near the shoulder, frightfully fracturing the bones of the arm and again passing out. The child, an infant only six months of age, was picked up when the mother fell, covered with blood, which flowed profusely from a wound in its head. Upon examination by the surgeons, it appeared that the skull was fractured and a piece of the bone above the forehead carried away; the wound was about three inches long, and through the aperture the brain protruded. The brain was pressed back to its place and the wound closed, when the little sufferer was given to a nurse for better care.

As soon as practicable, the mother and child were removed to a hotel in the village, where the Regiment made every provision for the sufferers, and raised by contribution about $1,000 for their assistance.

The wounded woman is the wife of JEREMIAH CASSELL, who lives about six miles back of Kingston. The ballthat injured her passed through the skirts of a young man's coat standing near, and in its descent tore the dress of a lady who was standing behind Mrs. CASSELL.

Mr. CASSELL, the husband of the wounded woman, was present at the time of the accident.

The officers state that all the muskets were carefully examined before the firing, and inasmuch as each of the muskets had been already discharged three times, the accident, it is said, must have resulted from the negligence of some State official in the Commissary Department, placing a ball cartridge among the ammunition of the Regiment.

On the other hand it is thought the accident may have resulted from negligence on the part of some one of the soldiers, as several of the companies had been firing at a target with ball cartridge during the day.

The accident cast a melancholy gloom throughout the encampment, and in consequence of it the *grand ball with which it was to have closed*, did not come off, but the Regiment received their visitors *in the camp*.

Strange as it may seem, the mother and child are *both doing well*, and *neither of them will die of* their wounds.

Illinois.

The Illinois State Convention of the Know-Nothings had its session at Chicago on the 10th inst. The principal business before them was the approval or disapproval of the action of their delegates at Philadelphia. A very strenuous effort was made to secure the adoption of the Philadelphia platform, but it was defeated by a large majority. A series of resolutions was adopted, denouncing the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, and declaring that in all future political contests they would require from their candidates distinct and unequivocal pledges upon this subject. They also assert the power of Congress to legislate on the subject of Slavery in the Territories and the District of Columbia.

Made Longsweet.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, July 10, 1855.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

Will you allow me to communicate to your readers the following facts, the relation of which is suggested by your article of this date, entitled "John Bull and his Beer." I am the more anxious on the point, as the subject—beer—is one, the merits of which are acknowledged by all medical writers of standing, and one which, at the present time, is worth consideration, presenting as it does, a middle ground between the extreme prohibitionists on the one side, and the extreme antiliquor men on the other. The subject has the merit of moderation, at all events, which is a virtuous one in these days.

Ale or beer was known at least four centuries before the Christian era, as an Egyptian beverage. HERODOTUS, the earliest of the Greek historians whose works are extant, XENOPHON, and DIODORUS SICULUS make mention of it. The first named ascribes the discovery of brewing a wine or beverage from barley to ISIS, wife of ASYRIS; and TACITUS, in the first century of Christianity, speaks of the fact that the Romans and Germans learned from the Egyptians, at a very early period, the art of producing a liquor from corn by means of fermentation. The early Greeks had a barley beverage called PINON, and the Gauls also were on good terms with John Barleycorn. It was early introduced into England, and in the laws of INA, King of Wessex, who flourished towards the close of the seventh century, alehouses are mentioned. In the thirty-fifth article of the Magna Charta, (granted June 19, 1215,) the measures for ale are regulated. Other interesting dates mark the progress of malt through the centuries.

So much for the antiquity of beer. Let us glance at its present proportions, and look into what hands the discovery of the good Egyptian housewife has fallen. England, Germany, and New-York State have been the greatest producers of this beverage in the world. There are about two thousand public brewers in the British Islands; and the number of victualers who brew their own ale is *not* down at 28,000. In London there are about one hundred wholesale brewers. In 1850 there were 21,668 tons of hops grown in England, paying a duty of £270,000, (or $1,350,000.) *Blackwood* sets this down as probably a larger quantity than is furnished by all the rest of the world together. Of this amount only 99 tons were exported; and on the other hand, 320 tons were imported. The English boast of their cultivation of the hop, and extol "this branch of farming as the most liberal, the most remarkable," and the most expensive, of any in England. In the same year (1850,) the Barley and Bere crops of Ireland stood thus:

Barley, acres	203,250	Produce in quarters	1,909,835
Bere, acres	57,611	of 8 bushels	208,291

Of German beers I have no actual figures at hand, but it is well known that every German Province is famous for the production and consumption of a particular beer; while all the German States and beers bow before the omnipotent beverage of Bavaria. The Bavarians truly may be said to walk in the ways of the jolly Boniface, who ate, drank and slept upon his ale. Beer and bread are, *par excellence*, Bavarian diet; and so jealous are the mechanics of any infringement or prohibition of the custom, that an attempt to raise the malt-tax was followed by a revolution in 1844.

The importance of the beer business to New-York is worth consideration. In DE BOW's report on the seventh census, I find there are 744 brewers in New-York. This is irrespective of distillers, of whom there are 219. In the year ending 1850, New-York produced 3,585,059 bushels of barley, and 2,536,299 pounds of hops; five-sevenths of the entire crop of the Union. In 1840, this crop was less than half a million pounds in New-York, and the increase is a sufficient commentary on the consumption of ale and beer. The census quoted, gives the public brewers' returns as 645,000 barrels, which is more than one third of the returns for the whole United States. These facts are very interesting as indices to the wealth, and, as some physicians aver, the health of the State. Ale was the name formerly given to unhopped malt. When the hop was introduced from the Low countries, the beverage took the name beer. A writer in 1596, GERARD, says: "The manifold virtues in hops, do manifestly argue the holesomeness of beere above ale, for the hops rather make it physicall drinke to keep the body in health, than an ordinary drinke for the quenching of our thirst," and two centuries and a half afterwards the eccentric Doctor KITCHENER in his "Cook's Oracle" says, "Home brewed beer is the most invigorating drink. It is, indeed, gentle reader! Notwithstanding a foolish fashion has barbarously banished the natural beverage of Great Britain as *extremely ungentee*l." However ungentee*l* it may have been in the Doctor's day, the statistics in ours show that it is not "barbarously banished" from the meals of John Bull.

If space were allowed, many evidences of the truth of GERARD'S and KITCHENER'S ideas might be given, and especially from the works of medical writers.

Yours, S.

Interesting Particulars About the Author of "Jane Eyre."

From Sharpe's London Magazine.

The following particulars, obtained from a private and, we believe, authentic source, though we do not pledge ourselves to their accuracy, may not prove unacceptable to our readers:

On the northern side of one of the wildest and bleakest moors of Yorkshire stands the little village of Haworth, consisting of a church and a few gray stone cottages. One of these, scarcely superior to its fellows, and distinguished only by a sort of court-yard, surrounded by a low stone wall, and overgrown with grass, (shrubs and flowers refusing to generate in so ungenial an atmosphere,) is the parsonage. The architecture is of the simplest description—a straight walk leads up to the front door, on either side of which appears a window, that of the sitting-room looking into the churchyard, well filled with gravestones. On this parsonage, until within a few months since, not a touch of paint nor an article of furniture had been expended for thirty years, the period which had elapsed since the death of Miss BRONTE's mother. Some six or seven years antecedent to that date, an Irish clergyman, Rev. PATRICK BRONTE, then resident at Penzance, espoused a young lady, contrary to the wishes of her relations, who refused to hold any further intercourse with her after her marriage. Her husband, obtaining the perpetual curacy of Haworth, took his bride to his new residence, where they spent the remainder of their days, she dying in a rapid consumption, after the birth of her sixth child, CHARLOTTE. Mr. BRONTE, who, though advanced in years, is still alive, is described as a man of *studious and solitary habits*, and of a singular and highly eccentric turn of mind, which, together with a peculiar temper, must have rendered him anything but a suitable guardian to a youthful family. Nor can we wonder at the mother's dying exclamation, "What will become of my poor children!" Engrossed by *his own pursuits, the father never even dined* with his family nor taught them anything, and the *children learned to write and read from servants* only. When CHARLOTTE was 12 years old she (*even then of an original and self-reliant nature*) asked and obtained her father's permission that *her sisters and herself should be placed at the* clergy-school at Cowan Bridge. This, as it then existed, she has described to the life in *Jane Eyre*. Two of her sisters died of the fever which at one time devastated the school; the two others, and probably CHARLOTTE herself, quitted it with the seeds of consumption in their constitution, fostered by the cruel privations they underwent. The food was horrible, and of it, bad as it was, they obtained so little that often they were literally half starved. Frequently has she "crept under the table to pick up the crumbs others had dropped." At the time of the fever the doctor examined the food, he put some in his mouth and hastily rejected it, protesting it was not fit for dogs. "So hungry was I," said CHARLOTTE, "that I could have eaten what he threw away." The three survivors returned to Haworth with broken health; but there fresh trials awaited them. "At nineteen," continued CHARLOTTE, "I should have been thankful for a penny a week." I asked my father; but he said, "What *a* women want with money!" She was yet only nineteen when she advertised for and obtained a situation as a teacher in a school; not finding it just what she had hoped, she waited until she had saved money enough to pay her passage to Brussels, where she had secured a position as school teacher—she started alone, never having previously quitted Yorkshire. When she arrived in London it was night; she became alarmed, and not knowing where to go, and fearing to trust herself to strangers, she took a cab, drove to the Tower stairs, hired a boat and was conveyed to the Ostend packet. At first the officer in command refused to take her on board till the next morning, but on learning her desolate situation recalled his prohibition. In Brussels she remained two years, her experiences there are detailed in *Villette*. The character of Adele, in particular, is drawn from life. On her return she found that the health of her two remaining sisters was declining, and that her father's eyesight was becoming affected, and she considered it her duty to remain at home. She tried various ways of increasing their income, but failed in all. Without mentioning her project to her father, she wrote *Jane Eyre*, a work of which Messrs. SMITH and ELDER had the good sense to perceive the merits, and were courageous enough to publish it, in spite of its peculiarities, which might have alarmed any but a really spirited publisher. About three months after the appearance of her novel, and when its success was no longer doubtful, Miss BRONTE received to assure up her courage, and inform her father of the step she had taken. Mr. BRONTE, it appears, did not then join his family even at meal times. At dinner CHARLOTTE announced her intention to her sisters, adding that she would put it in execution before tea! Accordingly, she marched into the study with a copy of her work, wrapped up in a review of it, which she had received, and the following conversation ensued:

"Papa, I have been writing a book!"

"Have you, my dear?"

(He went on reading.)

"But, papa, I want you to look at it."

"I can't be troubled to read manuscript."

"But it is printed."

"I hope you've not been involving yourself in any such silly expense!"

"I think I shall gain some money by it; may I read you some reviews of it?" She read the review, and again asked him if he would look over the book; he said she might leave it and he would see—later on that same evening he sent his daughter an invitation to drink tea with him. When the meal was nearly concluded, he said: "Children, Charlotte has been writing a book, and I think it is a better one than I expected." For some years he never mentioned the subject again.

A lady, who afterwards became intimate with Miss BRONTE, thus describes her first introduction to her: "I arrived late at the house of a mutual friend, tea was on the table, and behind it sat a little wee dark pensie, dressed in black, who scarcely spoke, so that I had time for a good look at her. She had soft, lightish brown hair, eyes of the same tint, looking straight at you, and very good and expressive; a reddish complexion, a wide mouth, altogether plain; the forehead square, broad, and rather overhanging. Her hands are like bird's claws, and she is so short-sighted that she cannot see your face unless you are close to her. She is said to be frightfully shy, and almost cries at the thought of going among strangers."

Examination of the British Consul at Cincinnati for Violating the Neutrality Laws.

JULY 12.—The United States Court-room was again crowded yesterday, with those anxious to hear the arguments upon the trial of Mr. Rowecroft.

The audience seemed generally to regard the conduct of the Irish witnesses as anything else but honorable, who are probably heartily ashamed that they should stoop to such means to accomplish what they regarded as a worthy object.

Francis Bagget, an officer who assisted in the arrest, produced railroad tickets for Buffalo, which he had taken from Reidy, one of defendants.

John Kamerer, testified that he was going to Buffalo where he was promised work; knew nothing of any intention to go further. (He was one of the men arrested on the cars.)

Mr. Reidy testified to the list of men (the list was copied by direction of Capt. Poshner) placed in his charge, with railroad tickets given him by Capt. McKay.

First witness for defence was A. O. Russell, who was called to prove that the Consul protested against being arrested in his own house.

Mr. Mylotte stated that Mr. Rowecroft reminded Mr. Bennett that he was the representative of a great power, and his person was sacred. Asked if he would force him to go. Mr. Bennett replied that he did not wish to take him on a cart or express wagon, but should certainly require his presence before the Commissioners. The documents showing Mr. Rowecraft's appointment by the British Government as Consul, and the ratification of the appointment by the authorities at Washington, with all the privileges, &c., granted to the Consul of any nation, were then presented to Mr. Anderson, and read. He then read from a Consular Convention, ratified between the United States Government and the Emperor of the French, in 1853, section three of which says: "Consular offices and dwellings shall be inviolable—local authorities shall not invade them, under any pretext. In no case shall they seize the papers therein deposited. In no case shall the offices or dwellings be used as places of asylum." This, it was contended, protected Mr. Rowecroft from arrest in his house, and rendered his detention here illegal.

Mr. Anderson, for the defence made the following points:

1. That as Mr. Rowecroft was exempt from arrest in his own house, the court could not take advantage of the wrong of its own officer, and try a man thus illegally brought before it.

2. That the warrant on which they were arrested was defective. It charged various offences, committed at various times—was vague and uncertain. They could not know from that warrant for what offence they were called to answer.

3. That enlistment was necessary to complete the offence.

4. This was not a conspiracy, and therefore Mr. Rowecroft could not be bound by the declarations of other parties. To conclude the crime of conspiracy, it was necessary that they should be acting to effect the same purpose. In this case defendants were conspiring to get for themselves bounty money and service from the British Government, but the Consul was only acting to supply the Government with soldiers.

In the argument of the case, the whole subject of the war, with the question of the holy places, &c., was discussed.

The prosecuting attorney, Mr. Jewett, followed Mr. Anderson, and occupied the whole of his time in refuting the points Mr. Anderson had made.

After concluding his remarks, he requested that the British Consul (who had heretofore been left at perfect liberty,) be put under bonds. This the Court refused to do.

On account of the novelty and importance of the case, the Court postponed its decision, but to no fixed time. It will probably not be given until the cases are all tried.

Seizure of Arms by the Sheriff of Cincinnati—The Irish Battalion deprived of their Guns and Accoutrements.

From the Cincinnati Gazette, July 13.

It will be remembered that Brigadier General SARGENT issued an order to the various regiments, battalions, and companies of the Third *Brigade, First Division, O. V. Militia, to assemble* on Broadway, on the Fourth of July, at 6 A. M., for a brigade parade. The Rover regiment, Col. KENNETT, obeyed the order, while the German regiment, Major FRANZ LIESCH, and the Irish battalion, Lieut. Col. H. MCGROARTY, disobeyed the order, and sent notice to the commandant of the *brigade to that effect*.

For this insubordination and disobedience of *orders, together with a belief that the arms will* better serve the interests of the Third Brigade in *other hands, General SARGENT yesterday made* a formal demand of each of the commandants of the *Companies composing the Irish battalion, to deliver* up forthwith, to Capt. E. PENNOYE JONES, Brigade Quartermaster, all public arms, appendages and accoutrements in their possession. This order was obeyed only by one Company, the Republican Light Guard, Capt. STEPHEN J. MCGROARTY, the others refusing to obey. The following are the Companies forming this battalion: Barefield Guards, Capt. CONAHAN; Barefield Light Artillery, Capt. DOUN; Shields Guards, Lieut. LAVANDER, commanding; Queen City Cadets, Capt. MCSHANE, and the Republican Light Guards, (formerly Mitchell Guards,) Capt. S. J. MCGROARTY.

When informed that these companies refused to deliver up their arms, General SARGENT send out writs of replevin, and by authority of the Sheriff took possession of their entire arms, accoutrements, &c., and had them safely deposited in the Brigade Arsenal on Fourth-street. A detachment of military, by order of the Sheriff, guarded the Arsenal during the whole of last night.

The writ was executed yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock, when but a few of the members of the companies were there, and before they were apprised of what was going on. Last evening this fact became pretty generally known, and a large number of Irishmen assembled on the corner of Ninth street and Western row, and were engaged up to a late hour in discussing the action of the Brigadier General.

We are informed that it was decided to appeal to the Adjutant-General of the State for a return of the arms and accoutrements forthwith. The officers of the various companies will leave for Columbus, on this errand, this morning.

We further learn from Gen. SARGENT, that notices will be served to-day on the commandants of the various companies composing the German regiment to deliver up their arms, &c., of the State, to the Quartermaster of the brigade; and in case they refuse, also, the same steps will be taken to obtain them.

Rents in California.

A letter-writer from San Francisco thus speaks of the fall in the prices of real estate in that city, and the consequent reduction in the incomes of its owners:

The enormous incomes of some real estate holders have dwindled down at a most rapid and fearful rate, and, though already small, continue to "become beautifully less." I am now moving into a house at $40 per month, which four months since readily brought $115 per month, and "fancy rents" have declined at even a greater ratio. The United States bonded warehouses, for which $6,000 per month was originally paid, would not at this moment command one-fourth of that rate; and under a clause in the lease, which provides for a revaluation of the rent every two years by disinterested persons, will no doubt at the next biennial valuation, if proper attention is paid to the matter by the Government officials, be reduced accordingly.

Labor and Capital in California.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15, 1855.

Neither labor nor capital will ever again be so valuable in California as heretofore. The supply of both is daily increasing, and the days of $20 per month for farm laborers and found, $6 per day in the city for common laborers, and $12 for mechanics have gone, not again to return; so is six per cent. per month for money, as likewise rents which gave a net income of fifty to seventy-five per cent. per annum on the cost of the property. The product of the mines is daily heaping up capital here, exclusive of all the gold sent to the Atlantic States, Europe, China and South America. Still, however, rents and labor will continue for a very considerable time yet to be much higher than with you, and, with the other great attractions on this coast, will cause California to increase with great rapidity in population, wealth and resources.

(*Nat. Intelligencer.*

California Climate.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15, 1855.

To give you an idea of the fertility of the soil and the nature of the climate: We have had strawberries since March, and they will last until November; blackberries since May; pears and grapes are the fruits of the country; raspberries of gigantic growth; cherries beautiful; peaches it is expected will be cheaper this year than with you; three years since they sold at one to two dollars each; other fruits in abundance. We have had artichokes that might *choke* an elephant since February, and vegetables of all kinds in an abundance that would amaze you; potatoes at twenty-five cents per bushel; and such *potatoes!*—perfect flour when baked. Then we have sweet potatoes, oranges, mangoes, and many other fruits from the Sandwich Islands; nuts and preserves from Chili; and last, though not least, gold from the mountains in greater profusion than ever. Such another country the sun never shone upon.

EXTRAORDINARY CASE OF FASCINATION.—About two weeks since a little girl, near six years of age, named COLLISTA HILL, of Gilmanton Centre, was searching for berries in the field, when her attention was arrested by a peculiar singing noise, and on looking up she perceived two large black snakes, one of which was in an erect attitude and gazing fixedly upon her, accompanying its vibratory motions by, as she says, "a most beautiful singing." She first attempted to run, but found herself utterly incapable of doing so. She then looked at the snake until she became so pleased with it that she took it into her lap, and held it until she thought it asleep, and then fled to the house. For a number of days she visited the snake, unknown to her parents, who finally discovered her feeding it from her hands. She continued feeding it every day, becoming more and more attached to it, until it would wind itself about her arms and neck, and even take food from her mouth. Finally she was prevailed upon to place it in a box, and in that it is still kept, except when being fed. Hundreds in the vicinity have been to see it, and it is the opinion of medical men who have seen her that she is completely fascinated, and that the death of the reptile would prove fatal to her. Her parents have had many tempting offers to permit her to be taken about and exhibited with the snake, but, though they are poor, they have sense enough to refuse such offers. The snake is over four feet long. We have the above from a gentleman who has visited the girl, and received the facts from her and her parents, and of course it may be relied upon as substantially correct.—*Concord (N. H.) Patriot, July 12.*

☞ The British Consul, CHARLES ROWECROFT, Esq., of whose examination on the charge of violating the neutrality laws of the United States at Cincinnati, we have given full details, is a literary, as well as a diplomatic gentleman. He sometime ago presented to the Mercantile Library a set of his works, embracing the following: "Tales of the Colonies, or, the Adventures of an Emigrant;" "Evadne, or, an Empire and its Fall;" "The Bushranger of Van Dieman's Land;" "Chronicles of the Fleet Prison;" "The Man without a Profession;" "Fanny, the Little Milliner;" and "The Triumph of Women."

☞ We learn from the Quebec *Chronicle* that the Provincial Government decided on Friday last, to accede to the terms proposed by Mr. HUGH ALLAN, of Montreal, viz.: Vessels of 1,750 tons, and 350 horse-power, to make fourteen fortnightly trips from Liverpool to Canada, and five monthly trips to Portland, in each year, at an annual bonus of £21,000 sterling.

NEWS BY THE MAILS.

The Buffalo *Democracy* tells the following story: As we were standing on Thursday, at HAWKS' counter in the Post-office, we were accosted by a poorly clad French woman, who desired us to do a little writing for her. As we stood there, trying to oblige the woman, she told us her story. She had left France with her husband and a son of some forty years, both of whom feared the terrors of the conscription more than they loved the soil of their sunny home, and had emigrated to America, landing here without hope of employment or means of support. They had worked their way to Buffalo, and here, for some months, knowing nothing of the language, friendless and miserably poor, they subsisted upon such meagre charity as fell to their share in a commercial town overrun with beggars. When at their last hope, and nearly starved, they had received intelligence from Quebec of a character to startle and elate these poor, forlorn emigrants. They had been informed that the estate of the husband's *grandfather had descended to the grandson*, and that on the presentation of proper proofs, they would receive a property to the amount of sixteen thousand francs, or about $71,000; the paper which the delighted old woman desired us to draw was *simply to assist her in communicating to a lawyer* the necessary facts to be set forth in a power of *attorney, with which the son was to be furnished* in order that he might proceed to Quebec and obtain the *veritable Godsend*.

The Vermont *Journal* states that in Lisbon, N. H., *on the 28th ult.*, an affray occurred between Mr. DANIEL PRIEST and a young man by the name of QUIMBY, which resulted in the death of the former. It seems that the two had quarreled, and upon QUIMBY'S attempting to enter the shop in which PRIEST worked, in defiance of the threats of PRIEST, he was seized by the latter who was much the most powerful man, and held in such a manner as to occasion to QUIMBY the most excruciating pain. QUIMBY endured the agony as long as he could and then threatened to stab his tormentor unless released. PRIEST only tightened his grasp, and QUIMBY, drawing a knife stabbed him in four places. PRIEST then relaxed his hold, being fatally injured, and died in about a week. QUIMBY has been bound over for trial in the sum of $1,500. The Vermont *Journal* states that public opinion justifies him for the commission of the deed.

This morning, says the Cleveland *Plaindealer* of the 10th inst., Mr. TYLER, turnkey at the County Jail, on going into the hall about 6½ o'clock, found one of the prisoners, JOHN W. RIFFLE, suspended in his cell by his handkerchief to the bars of the cell door, suffocated. He was a German, about 16 years of age, who had resided in that city few several years. His fellow prisoners on awaking this morning, discovered him standing up in the cell door, inquired how he felt, but received no answer, got up, and putting his head on his shoulder, found him hung by the neck, and stone dead, his feet resting on the pavement of the cell. Coroner MARSHALL was summoned, and a jury investigated the affair. The verdict of the jury was, that "JOHN W. RIFFLE came to his death by his own hands, by hanging, during a temporary derangement of the mind."

In a farm-house near Liberty, Missouri, the mistress of the house, because ill, was manner, hanging according to systems, received an attack of cholera. Her husband had left the house at daybreak, and her only daughter, who was then with her, went for a physician. After a few hours the physician arrived, but was already met at the door and repulsed by the nothing girl with the cry "She is dead!" He was conducted into the room where the corpse lay, examined it, and discovered the daughter had allow the interment until 24 hours had elapsed. He had scarcely done so when the corpse arose and spoke significantly. The daughter saw this scene, and was so horrified that she fell down dead on the spot. It is a well known fact that persons who die of cholera retain the warmth of the blood for a long time, frequently alarming bystanders by contraction of the muscles.

At Springfield, on Thursday, the police made a seizure of several barrels of Byrne's ale which had been taken from the railroad depot in a wagon. After they had unloaded the barrels, and were looking in to ascertain the nature of their contents, a pail filled with a noxious compound was thrown upon them from a building, and afterwards means was let upon them from an escape pipe near the place where they were standing leaning them considerably. One of the officers, to secure the wagon and driver, jumped in behind, but the driver waved off with such a jerk, as to throw out his flying load, who fortunately landed in the sand. The perpetrators of these outrages had not been discovered.

The Kane County *Democrat*, of the 11th instant, says, that two prisoners confined in the south hall of the County Jail at Geneva, came very near escaping on the night of the 3d inst. They had so far succeeded as to saw out a hole of sufficient size through the two-inch oak plank with which the cell is lined, and had they not been discovered by the Jailor, Mr. MORRILL, would soon have had one of sufficient dimensions through the stone wall to have allowed them to escape. But, unfortunately for them, Mr. MORRILL does not sleep as soundly but that he can be easily awakened, and their begun was prevented.

We learn from the Green Bay *Advocate* that a species of piracy is rife and troublesome in the neighborhood of that port. A gang of depredators cruise about the lake, make inroads upon the exposed fishing stations, commit wholesale depredations, and cause serious annoyance and loss to the inhabitants in these sparsely populated districts. The *Advocate* speaks of these acts of outrage as deserving the attention of Government, the citizens being powerless to suppress them.

The Lafayette *Daily Gazette* of the 10th says, this morning the sentence of death was passed on D. M. STOCKING. He exhibited the utmost indifference and returned to his cell without the least emotion. This man STOCKING is undoubtedly a hardened wretch and one of the most desperate desperadoes that ever infested our community. He will be hung on the 14th of Sept. next, (the same day that RICE and DRISCOLL are to be executed.)

LONG ISLAND.

Fires in Brooklyn—Eastern District.

A fire was discovered on Saturday evening about 11 o'clock by Officer TOWNSEND and DEVALIN, of the Fifth District Police, in the third story of a dwelling house corner of Grand and Second streets, occupied by H. HERBY. The fire originated from a lamp being left near the bed and coming in contact with the bedclothes. The flames were speedily extinguished by the officers above mentioned, with the assistance of the occupants. Damage $50. No insurance.

Another fire broke out about 11 o'clock on Sunday morning in a two-story frame house in Richardson-street, between Graham-avenue and Smith-street, owned by BENJAMIN LANE and occupied by the families of BIERCOD HERBERT and NORMAN KEMP, which was entirely destroyed with all its contents. The f

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Kansas Affairs.

The Legislature of Kansas was to meet on the 2d of July, and we may expect, before many days, to hear of its organization. A good deal of doubt is expressed as to the course that will be taken in regard to the members elected by the interference of the Missouri mob. As the Pro-Slavery party is understood to have a decided majority; and as the extension of Slavery over the Territory has been the motive for all the high-handed outrages that have been perpetrated, there seems little room to doubt that the game will be played out,—that the members elected by violence will also be admitted to their seats by violence, if necessary,—and that no obstacle will be permitted to stand between the leaders of this Pro-Slavery invasion and the accomplishment of their purpose. Governor RANSOM has the power of vetoing their acts, and the recent dastardly assault upon him by SHANNON, because he would not pledge himself not to exercise it in certain cases, shows the apprehensions that are entertained of difficulty from this quarter. But it is well understood that the Administration at Washington has decided to remove this obstacle from the path of the Slavery propagandists, by removing RANSOM; and there is little doubt that it will be done in time to prevent his vetoing any acts that ATCHISON and his friends may consider important for the attainment of their ends. Besides, if only one life stands between these men and their object, past experience has shown that means will speedily be found of taking it away. If Governor RANSOM should vote an act of the Legislature authorizing the establishment of Slavery, room would be made for a successor to his office at any hazard. Men who enter upon such a systematic career of violence and outrage as Kansas has recently witnessed, would scarcely hesitate at murder or any other crime.

We see from an editorial which we copy from a recent number of the Kansas *Free State*, an Anti-Slavery paper published at Lawrence, that the opponents of Slavery there are weakened by the same dissensions which break their power everywhere. While the champions of Slavery are always united in sentiment and in action, its enemies are divided by various opinions as to the abstract ground to be taken, as well as the specific measures to be adopted. We infer from the tone of the article referred to, that there is danger of failure from this cause. Kansas is likely to become a Slave State, because those opposed to Slavery cannot act in harmony. They will not come together and agree upon some plan of operations. Each section has its own views and its own plans, which it will not yield to any other. This is a great misfortune,—one which the friends of freedom ought, by some means or other, to avert from their cause.

Conventions, meantime, are held in different parts of the Territory: one met at Lawrence, which seems to have been attended by delegates from all sections, and at which resolutions were adopted, declaring that the people of Kansas were opposed to the introduction of Slavery—that as a majority of the present Legislature were elected by force and fraud, laws of their enacting would not be obligatory, and that they were ready to meet those who threaten them with violence. Another met at Boonville, declaring Slavery perfectly compatible with the Constitution, sustaining the Nebraska bill, and throwing all the odium of the recent scenes of violence upon the Free-Sollers and Abolitionists by whom they have been provoked. And a third was held at Lawrence on the 27th of June, representing the regular Democracy, at which resolutions were adopted, promising to elect none but Democrats to office, sustaining what has already been done, and protesting against violence.

We shall await reports of the meeting of the Legislature with a good deal of interest.

Political History—A Revelation.

In a paper under this head, which we published some weeks since, it was remarked of the Democratic Convention of 1844, that Mr. VAN BUREN, in looking for a restoration to power, through a nomination from that body, "was doomed to disappointment—foiled, at the last moment, by the Chief of the Hermitage, who so surely planned the nomination of POLK, on the Texas issue, as he had previously planned the elevation of VAN BUREN on the downhill of CALHOUN."

We notice that Mr. ANDREW J. DONELSON, long the Private Secretary and confidential relative of Gen. JACKSON, has been making a speech at Nashville, to a mass meeting of the American or Know-Nothing party, which is reported at length in the Nashville *Banner*. The following remarkable passage goes far to confirm the truth of Gen. JACKSON's secret hostility to his former favorite at the last critical moment, when Mr. VAN BUREN expected his support for the nomination:

"When I was about to set out as a delegate to the Convention which nominated Mr. POLK, the great question then before the country was the annexation of Texas. The Democratic organization, by a large majority, had fixed upon Mr. VAN BUREN as the nominee; but, very unexpectedly, his Texas letter appeared, and brought confusion into the ranks of the party. *I consulted Gen.* JACKSON as to the course the best to be pursued in case Mr. VAN BUREN adhered to the views he had expressed on that question. The old patriot, with a light almost supernatural gleaming through his spectacles, took me by the hand and said, '*We must have Texas.* I prefer Mr. VAN BUREN above all others so far as personal feelings are concerned, and I know he is worthy of all confidence as a friend of the leading doctrines and principles of our party. *But we must have Texas.* The good of the country demands it, and there is no time to be lost. Remember your country first, when you are charged with a public trust. The good of the country is above all party. *If we cannot get Texas with Mr.* VAN BUREN'S *aid, we must obtain it without his aid.*"

The Wreck—Its End and Moral.

The brief announcement which has just appeared in the Philadelphia papers, that the Trustees of the Bank of the United States will make their final dividend on the 30th September, suggests a retrospect of the eventful story of that once powerful and overshadowing moneyed institution. The end, though an inglorious one for the reputation of its management and a disastrous one for its confiding shareholders on both sides the Atlantic, is not without a lesson of practical usefulness to ill-regulated ambition. The National Bank of the United States, as founded by the wisdom of the first statesmen in the brilliant Congress of 1816, and sanctioned by President MADISON, had few organic defects. The charter had all the elements of general usefulness to the business of the country. It provided wisely and amply for the fiscal convenience of the Federal Government. In these respects its practical working proved everything that the framers and advocates of the institution had represented as its advantages, and opposition was soon silenced by the admirable manner in which it answered the great ends of a sound national currency *and a safe depository of the Public Moneys.* The "hard times" of 1819–21 thoroughly tested the strength of its credit, and for ten years afterwards its course of administration was to increased usefulness and popularity. The whole country was shocked by the first rude attack of President JACKSON upon its integrity. With all his great influence, that bold and popular chief could not at the outset of the war upon the Bank control his ablest friends, North or South, to make it a strict party question. The Bank had been too useful—too universally regarded as essential to a sound and uniform currency and the best commercial interests of the country, to render such an issue tolerable, even to the strongest JACKSON interest in South Carolina, Maryland, Pennsylvania and the East, while in the Western States, its more recently established branches were but just developing the full extent of their public importance, and were rapidly gaining on the confidence of the people.

The Bank found a host of friends in the ablest minds of the JACKSON ranks. Mr. McDUFFIE of South Carolina, Mr. LOUIS McLANE of Maryland, Mr. DALLAS and Mr. DUANE of Pennsylvania, Mr. VERPLANK of New-York, and many other lights of the party, were prompt to protest against the destruction of the Bank, and the policy of making the refusal of a new charter an administration measure. To their arguments on the subject Mr. ALBERT GALLATIN added the weight of his acknowledged financial wisdom, and the lesson of his own experience as Secretary of the Treasury during the absence of such an institution. The contest, indeed, promised but one result, for the first year or two after the initial demonstration of General JACKSON—a demonstration said to have been prompted by Mr. JEREMIAH MASON, the President of the Portsmouth Branch, to make the Bank a political machine in New-Hampshire—but the prospect soon afterwards changed.

Mr. NICHOLAS BIDDLE of Philadelphia, was at the head of the Bank, and had been since 1826. He was undoubtedly a man of surprising ability in finance, and at that time free from all thought of political ambition or political management. The National Bank, over which he presided with skill and untiring devotion to its true and original purpose, required nothing of the kind—had never provoked party opposition, nor enlisted party support. The war under General JACKSON was as unlooked for and unexpected by Mr. BIDDLE, as it was believed by a majority of the nation to be wholly undeserved. But it was persevered in, nevertheless. The iron will of JACKSON, seldom, on any question, turned from its purpose, was unmalleable on this. The distinguished men we have named could make no impression upon it. Mr. BIDDLE was duly advised of this, and so, in an evil hour, determined to enter the political field, the Bank and its popularity against President JACKSON, and the powerful party of which he was the acknowledged chief. From that hour the Bank was doomed; not that it was then too late to avert the blow by studied prudence, and a calm, conciliatory policy, but because the temper and skill of Mr. BIDDLE were not in that direction. He was an able Banker, but a neophyte in party politics. His movements at Washington and through the public press were a succession of blunders. The first great repulse, though he had achieved a majority in both Houses of Congress, proved fatal. The Veto upon the bill for the recharter of the Bank was sustained, and the time for a reversal of the sentence was most unpropitious, though neither Mr. BIDDLE, nor the Whig party with which his Bank had become identified, could be induced to think so. A Presidential election was pending. A few months were to decide the canvass between General JACKSON and Mr. CLAY. The fortunes of BIDDLE and the Bank were thrown into the scale of the latter, and they fell together in November, 1832.

It has always been a question of doubt whether Mr. BIDDLE or the Whig leaders in the Senate of 1832, were responsible for this great blunder of urging through Congress the bill of recharter before the Presidential election. The secret history of the transaction has yet to be written. It is by no means certain that Mr. CLAY himself, who had in his disposition, and indulged at times—generally most inopportune for his own good—much of the fiery impetuosity of General JACKSON, was not to blame in the premises. He had taken, as he supposed, careful observation of the course of public sentiment on the Bank question; probably believed it the strongest element in the pending canvass, but had neither rightly studied the temper of the masses, outside the great cities, nor weighed sufficiently the danger of bringing the influence of any mammoth corporation, however useful, into conflict with the freedom of elections. Be this as it may, the Bank charter was not to expire until 1836, and the issue, to say the least, was prematurely, and as the result proved, rashly forced four years, or a whole Presidential term, in advance. There was not even the apology for haste that the Bank required timely notice, in case of the refusal of a new charter, to wind up, as two years were allowed for this contingency in the original organization. This was a pretext first availed of by General JACKSON in making his early demonstration against the Bank. His own cunning suggested the thought. It was to be part and parcel of his policy to force the question into the arena of party politics. His opponents unfortunately fell into the snare. They made for him the very issue in the canvass of 1832, which, of all others, he would have selected.

The popularity of the Bank, however, among business people, did not pall before the triumph of the Administration. On the contrary, it continued to increase; and before the charter expired, the continuance of the institution, in some form or another, was felt to be a public necessity, particularly in Pennsylvania. The JACKSON party were in the majority in the Senate of that Commonwealth in 1836. The Whigs and Anti-Masons had control of the House. The game of Mr. BIDDLE was a bold one. He had failed in skill and of success on the national board, but at Harrisburg he determined to take the whole responsibility of the cost and means necessary to render the result sure. He proposed largesses to the cause of internal improvement and education, bonuses to the State Treasury, and the total abolition of State taxes to the people. They were accepted. The Senate yielded. The charter was had, and the name, capital, business and *prestige* of the National institution were transferred to the Bank of the United States of Pennsylvania. The Federal Government sold its stock, one-fifth the capital of the Bank, at an agreed valuation of 115 per cent., and the connection ceased for ever.

This cannot properly be called the second great blunder of Mr. BIDDLE, for at the time it was the best he could do to perpetuate the Bank. The achievement of the Pennsylvania charter, however, after all, proved as fatal as the failure to obtain a recharter at Washington four years before had been unfortunate. It was, in one sense, a triumph for Mr. BIDDLE, or was thought such at the time. The mingled admiration and astonishment it excited throughout the country elevated his reputation to its highest pinnacle. But the ovation of praise was too much for him. He became intoxicated by a mistaken sense of his own greatness; he reeled under the trial, and, although the verification in 1837 of his oft-repeated prophecies in regard to the defects of the State Bank system, gave *him a new hold on public confidence, it failed* to impart consistency to the unwieldy machine which he had undertaken to manage under a State charter, and the sequel was failure and ruin. Five years completed the catastrophe to the credit of the Bank. A few years after, Mr. BIDDLE died at Andalusia, a disappointed and heart-broken man—crushed, as it were, by the combined weight of ingratitude from false friends and his own sense of the errors of misdirected ambition and overweening self-confidence. It has taken the Trustees of the Bank fourteen years to administer upon the wreck. The general creditors fall far short of their claims. The Stockholders get nothing. The story ends with the flemish distribution announced from Philadelphia.

Mercantile Honor.

Some ten or twelve years ago the London *Literary Gazette* published a series of articles under the startling head of LONDON OWN LIE, the object of which was to expose the various swindling devices of all manner of English, or rather London tradesmen, from the purveyor to the palace down to the humblest chapman of White Chapel. The evidence of Cockney cheating in all the ramifications of commerce was both entertaining and startling, and various developments have since been made which go to prove the truth of the *Literary Gazette's* articles,—that London, in the aggregate, is one lie. The last number of the *Quarterly Review* contained an article on the adulteration of food, which more than confirms all that had previously been stated of the fraudulent practices of English tradesmen, and reveals a systematic practice of adulterating common articles of food with all manner of deleterious and poisonous substances.

These dishonorable and fraudulent practices must prove shockingly damaging to that character for sturdy honesty as a merchant, on which John Bull has always prided himself. SYDNEY SMITH wittily proposed that every citizen of Pennsylvania, when he went abroad, should be made to wear a badge of dishonor, as a punishment for that State having neglected to pay the interest on its bonds for a year; and American gentlemen were refused admission to London club-houses for the same reason; but, if the stories which Englishmen tell of themselves be true, the London tradesman is not a safe person to be at liberty at all.

Americans are not quite in a position to cast stones at their neighbors, on the score of mercantile dishonesty, but when stones are thrown at us we may be allowed to toss them back again. Unhappily for our credit, defaulters are not so rare as they should be on this side of the Atlantic, but it is somewhat consolatory to know that we are not worse than our neighbors. The late failure of the old banking house of DEAN, STRAHAN & Co. of London, and the disreputable exposure of dishonorable conduct on the part of one of the most wealthy and respectable brokerage firms in connection with the failure of DAVIDSON & GORDON, another great and respectable firm, show that human nature is just as weak and liable to temptation in London as in New-York, Philadelphia or St. Louis. The case of DEAN, STRAHAN & Co. is a very peculiar one, and their failure has been the cause of as much mortification and scandal as it has of pecuniary distress. It was one of the three oldest banking firms in London, it having been founded in the time of King CHARLES the Second, and maintained its credit throughout all the revolutions and fluctuations which have occurred up to its fall. The head of the firm was a baronet, a man of piety and great consideration, and his depositors were the highest personages in the Kingdom. He had every inducement that could influence a human being to act uprightly—he had to sustain not only his own dignity of character, but the credit and reputation of his house, and the name and title which he had inherited from his ancestors. But he yielded to that fruitful source of pecuniary disaster and wreck of personal character,—railroad speculations,—and was lost. It is not only the loss of fortune in this case, but the three partners composing the firm are proved to have acted in a manner as dishonorable as it was disastrous.

There must be something wrong in the nature of mercantile life which makes men incur such fearful risks rather than submit to a failure, even when they discover their affairs to be beyond the possibility of redemption. Bankruptcy is so fearful a calamity, that for the sake of deferring it only a few weeks or days men are willing to bring down inevitable ruin upon themselves and all who have trusted in their honor. A general submits with manly fortitude to a defeat, and why should a merchant hesitate, when he finds that his affairs are hopeless, to call his creditors together, frankly confess his inability to go on, and capitulate with fortune on the best terms he can?

The Knout and the Cord.

The Army and Navy registers of the week furnish each its instance of self-sacrificing fulfillment of duty upon the part of distinguished officers. At Fort M'Henry, near Baltimore, a private soldier, more honorable for long, weary and perilous service than a complete staff of commissioned superiors we might name, is reported to have been whipped to death; one Lieutenant CLIFFORD, a name as yet unsanctified by the repute of gallant and meritorious achievement, being the officer of the day. And on Thursday, at Philadelphia, the whole population, gentle and simple, were furnished with an evidence of the devotion of the grog-distributing Navy to temperance principles, in an affecting view of an old sailor, suspended by the wrists to the rigging of the steamer *Robert Walker*, his crime being an unconscious extension of his leave of absence, while under the exciting influence of a less pure and peaceable brandy than his superiors were doubtless enjoying at the same hour. Such displays are indeed highly flattering to the martial aspirations of our people. What deeds of highest surprise may not be expected from the soldier, who, in time of peace, exhibits such absolute preparation of spirit for the worst atrocities of war! If the thirst for inflicting captivity and death be so unquenchable where fellow-soldiers are concerned, what must it become when directed upon the enemies of the country! There is much hope and comfort in such spectacles.

Still there is—we may venture with extreme diffidence to submit, the question being a military one, and therefore aside from ordinary rules of humanity—there is a certain impurity of taste exhibited in the *mode* of inflicting a discipline so wholesome and other wise judicious, which a regard to popular delicacy and refinement might require to be modified. In cases, for instance, where soldiers have been found guilty of intoxication, it strikes us as somewhat gross and offensive to beat them very nearly to death, leave them some hours wallowing in their own blood, and then, when the last agonizing sobs are leaving them in company with a few feeble pulsations of life, to hang them up publicly by the hands, by way of *coup de grace*. The mode of accomplishing a result so laudable is all we would dare to complain of. Might it not answer, when the malefactor has seen only some half-dozen years of service and lived through only one war, to hang him promptly, and without trial? And where, as in the case of the man LOOP, at Fort McHenry, the offender has served fifteen or sixteen years, and through at least five cruel and bloody wars, without crime or fault other than his final one, would it be a degree of mercy inconsistent with the good government of the army to shoot him off-hand?

And in answer to the venerable query, "What shall become of the drunken sailor?" the recommendation of the song, "Put him in the guard-house till he get sober," is less shocking than his suspension to the yard-arm by the wrists. Solitary confinement, especially if attended with occasional applications of the boot, thumbscrew, rack, and other bagatelles of torture known to good old English law, might answer to satisfy the outraged majesty of lieutenants and boatswains, as well as to effect a salutary amendment in the criminal. It is the taste of our martial and naval heroes that seems to need purification; and the subject of purging it may be worthy the attention of the two appropriate departments at Washington. Possibly, the endowment of a chair in the several military and naval schools, for the specialty of "torture and murder as minor details of discipline," might reach the defect.

Street Cleaning Contract.

We have, heretofore, expressed the opinion that so important a branch of the City Government as that of street cleaning, upon which in a great measure the health and prosperity of the City depend, ought not to be entrusted to contractors, but should be under the direct management of the municipal authority; but, as the charter makes it necessary that the important work should be given out on contract, there is no help for it, although the experience of the past year has proved that, notwithstanding the contracts were duly awarded according to law, the City had to clean the streets after all. But we hope for better performances on the part of contractors this year, though the exigencies of the case will remain the same as ever. We want clean streets, without regard to cost, while the contractors want only profitable jobs, and we may be sure that they will do no more than is absolutely necessary to enable them to draw their pay.

On Friday last, the Commissioner of Streets and Lamps awarded to the proprietors of the street-sweeping machines, Messrs. SMITH, SECKLER & Co., contracts for cleaning seventeen out of the nineteen districts into which the City is divided, for the next year. The price at which the contracts have been given is $144,000 for the year, something less than half the amount which was paid the last year; and we have not the least doubt that the work will be much better done, and that the contractors will be handsomely remunerated besides. But whether the work will be done as it ought to be, remains to be seen; it will give us unqualified satisfaction to be able to acknowledge our disappointment, if it should prove to be. Practical men have often expressed an opinion that the sale of the street sweepings would more than repay the cost of their removal; but the City can very well afford to pay $150,000 for having it done, if it be done properly. Messrs. SMITH, SECKLER & Co., if the Corporation confirm the contract, will have a fair chance to immortalize themselves and earn the right to a municipal monument; for we have so long been crying out against our dirty streets, that the novelty of clean thoroughfares, free from the annoyances of dust and mud, will be the surest means of gaining the hearts of the people for those who may confer such a blessing upon us.

An Ardent Apostle.

Rev. JAMES SHANNON, President of the University of the State of Missouri, publishes a card in the St. Louis papers, vindicating himself from certain accusations, the nature of which he does not specify otherwise than by saying that they are connected with the subject of Slavery. He uses WAYLAND'S *Elements of Moral Science* as a text-book upon all subjects except War, the Sabbath and Slavery. On the latter subject, WAYLAND, according to President SHANNON, is heterodox, and he accordingly teaches on his own hook. The creed he inculcates is thus laid down:

"I have committed an unpardonable offence by believing, and teaching in the lecture-room and on *the hustings*,' that Slavery is sanctioned alike by the Bible, the laws of nature and the Constitution of the United States; and that Congress neither has, nor, *were it even a consolidated central despotism*, could it possibly have the right to impair a vested right of property in slaves in the Territories, the District of Columbia, or anywhere on earth to which the authority of the Federal Government extends."

President SHANNON thinks that after this avowal, his course ought not to give offence to any except to the most ultra Free-Sollers and Abolitionists. Others who believe in Slavery, but object to his saying anything about it, he answers by the following argument:

"I have long believed that God had raised up these United States as his own chosen instrumentality for the regeneration of the world; and I regard the preservation of the Union as indispensable to the accomplishment of this sublime result.

"Nevertheless, I am fully convinced that no created power can save the Union five years, unless the swelling tide of Anti-Slavery fanaticism be beaten back. To accomplish this object, and thus save the Union, I can conceive of no better method than to enlighten the public mind on the subject of Slavery in its various aspects.

"With these views I feel impelled by the high motives of patriotism, and *regard for the salvation of a lost world*, to enlighten the public mind to the utmost of my ability on this absorbing subject. Indeed, I would consider myself wholly unworthy the privileges of an American citizen, unworthy the name of a man, or a *Christian*, were I to shrink from a faithful performance of this duty through the fear of any consequences that might result to myself personally."

Off Again.

The Chevalier WIKOFF leaves for Europe to-day in the steamer *Hermann*, and, if we are to believe his organ, the *Herald*, he carries with him, if not any diplomatic trusts from our Government, at least the friendship and good will of Mr. MARCY, the Secretary, whom he lately visited in Washington. The Chevalier, we understand, considers himself entitled to some kind of recompense for his eighteen months' imprisonment in a Genoese castle, and feels that he has quite as good a right to the protection of his Government as MARTIN KOSZTA. The Chevalier's claims are rather complicated, and what with his charges against Lord PALMERSTON, Miss GAMBLE, TIM. BROWN, and our *Chargé* at the Court of Turin, it might puzzle a dozen diplomats to ascertain what party ought to pay the damage he has sustained. But, as he has made a good thing out of his *Courtship and its Consequences*, and been successful in managing the Opera one season, it might be considered that the accounts were about balanced, with a small margin in his favor.

☞ Imported liquors are as well received, and their consumers as leniently dealt with, in Michigan as in the City of New-York. A dealer in intoxicating drinks was on trial at Detroit on Thursday, for violation of the Liquor Law, when, on his proving the liquor sold to have been imported, the Jury returned a verdict of not guilty, and declared the sale of imported liquors, in any quantity, not prohibited by law.

Postal Matters.

A correspondent writes to us to suggest the propriety of the establishment of Post-Offices in towns now by mail, and to the disposition of the clerks always upon the Post-Office clerks. He thinks it often arises from neglect on the part of the writer of the letter to give it an accurate direction. To illustrate this, he states that there are several towns in this State named Castleton, which there is only one Post-Office, so that a letter directed simply to Castleton might go to a very different place from the one for which it was intended. Letters intended for Castleton, Vt., are also frequently marked for N. Y. Under these circumstances he thinks it unjust that Postmasters and their clerks should be held accountable for every letter that fails to reach its destination. He is undoubtedly right; and yet we are inclined to think there is room for improvement on the part of Post-Office attendants, in regard to carefulness.

Troubles of Travel.

A vague impression prevails that since the introduction of Railroads the old nuisances of baggage porters, hack drivers, and persons to be paid for doing nothing with your baggage, has wholly disappeared. Whoever has such a notion will have it corrected by a trip on a Newport or Fall River boat. There's an army of men, black, white and mixed, to seize your baggage and demand pay for putting it on board—another army, mainly black, anxious to "take care" of it, or in other words, to be paid for leaving it alone—and a multitude of hackmen at each end besieging you with offers of service. Why is not the provision of law which requires Railroad Companies to check and deliver baggage, extended also to Steamboats? It would very greatly promote the comfort and diminish the expense of traveling.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

THOUSANDS OF AGUE SUFFERERS YEARLY use pills, cholagogues, and mixtures, sold as Fever and Ague remedies, whilst knowing that all their strength is owing to arsenic, quinine, mercury, or other deadly poisons, which though they often "break the chills" for a short time, are sure to lay the foundation of worldwide maladies that cease only with life.

Better buy a sixpence worth of poison or an honest apothecary. Cost to pay a dollar for the same made into a "pill" or a "mixture," and remember that the only Pure and Ague Remedy in the market that is free from mercury and poisonous drugs, is "HINDS' FEVER AND AGUE CURE OR ANTIDOTE TO MALARIA;" and in proof of this the certificate of the most celebrated chemist in the United States, JAMES R. CHILTON, M. D., is attached to every bottle.

GEORGE H. RAYER, Wholesale Agent, No. 102 Water-st., and for sale by C. H. RING, C. V. OLIGKEHEER & CO., Brooklyn, Mrs. M. HAYES, and druggists generally.

WHEN THE SWEDISH NIGHTINGALE HAD engrossed the public attention, by her unequalled singing, every village and street were besieged by spurious Jenny Lind. So, the reputation of DESHLER'S New Discovery for Fever and Ague, and the certainty of its operations, became that with its mildness and lack of odor and taste, has suddenly started into clamorous life scores of nauseous stuffs that have hitherto without any character.

DESHLER'S PILLS are for sale at the Depôt, No. 2 Broadway. Also, by C. V. OLIGKEHEER & CO., S. PARKS & CO., STERRING, MORGAN & ALLEN, A. H. & J. RANDS, C. H. RING, ALCOTT, McKESSON & ROBBINS, and R. C. WELLS & CO.

HERRING'S FIRE-PROOF SAFES—ANOTHER VICTORY.

MOUNT BETHESDA, July 4, 1856.

F. B. Ballerum, Esq., Lexington, Ky.: W., Agent for H. C. Herring & Co.:

DEAR SIR: I am sorry to inform you that my store, with the whole of the contents, furniture, etc. being, has been destroyed by fire last night. I packed nothing. You will remember I bought one of Herring's Safes from you in March, and I have much pleasure in informing you it stood the fire well; it was perfectly red hot for several hours, the handles and brass plate both melted off, and other things of part of the surrounding room had to pass over it for nearly half an hour before it could be opened. You may freely say satisfaction of further my brother, merchant, and such all right. I had a large amount of valuable papers in it, which I had not time to remove, and they are safe. You will please send me another safe directly, and I will send you the old one that you may show it to all who wish to have a perfectly fire-proof safe.

I remain, dear Sir, yours respectfully, J. W. HARRISON.

The subscribers have on hand for sale the improved FIRE AND BURGLAR PROOF SAFES in the world, guaranteed to be equal to the above and superior to any other now offered to the public.

H. C. HERRING & CO.,
Nos. 128, 127 and 126 Water-st., New-York.

SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES—THIS IS A FAIR age, and determined to illustrate all competitors, we have just made a great reduction in the price of our machines, by making fifty per cent to their speed. A very great economy is thus effected, not only in the quantity of work done, but in the hire of operatives, room of power, &c., and the other usual great expenses of business are greatly affected in these machines. It is a fact that can be clearly demonstrated, that SINGER'S Sewing Machines, at the moderate prices asked, are more economical to the user than any of the inferior machines in market, if the latter could be had for a gift. Circulars giving every information can be given to those who may call at our machine warerooms, 458 and in every branch of trade.

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HERRING'S PATENT CHAMPION FIRE-PROOF Safes, with Hall's Patent Powder-Proof Locks, the only ones that were awarded separate medals at the Worlds' Fair, London, 1851, and the World's Fair, New-York, 1853 and 1854, and this is the locks that were awarded the medal at the London Worlds' Fair, through other warehouses exhibition, and now advertised as "Worlds' Fair Locks." The subscribers are the only makers who can furnish the genuine article with the Patent Powder-proof Locks.

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GREAT REDUCTION—SILKS, SILKS.

Rich plain silks, from ..... 87½ to $1
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Solid and ombre stripes, from ..... 87½ to
Brocha and figured stripes, from ..... 87½ to $1

Satin, plaid and brocade silks.

A. S. & M. B. TOWLE & CO are closing out the entire balance of Summer goods, they offer the greatest bargains in all kinds of goods, comprising silks.

COLUMBIAN HALL, No. 361 Grand-st.

BAREGES, JACONETS, LAWNS, AT COLUMBIAN Hall, No. 361 Grand-st., will be offered to-day:

6,000 yards French Barege, at 12½, worth 25.
6,000 yards rich Barege, at 18½, worth 25.
4,000 yards Satin Plaid Barege, at 25, worth 50.
10,000 yards Jaconets and Lawns from 4c. to 25.

S. & M. B. TOWLE & CO., No. 361 Grand-st.

M. WILSON, GILSEY BUILDING—CITY AND country merchants desirous of purchasing dry goods, laces and stocks, should avail themselves of the opportunity offered, one of the largest and most choice stock of goods in the City.

M. WILSON,
corner Cortlandt-st and Broadway, Gilsey Building, in the basement.

NEW PIANO MUSIC—JUST PUBLISHING—SUTTON'S FEMALE INSTITUTE Commencement Music for July, 1856, consisting of five pieces, elegantly ornamented from engraved plates. Poetry by the young ladies, music by J. C. Cook, and dedicated to the parents and friends of the charming collection, now ready for sale, and sent free of postage.

COOK & BROTHER, No. 385 Broadway.

SCROFULA, RHEUMATISM, &c.—HYATT'S LIFE BALSAM is an certain to cure the most painful forms of these diseases as water is to quench thirst; cures old ulcers, fever sores, and sores of every description, purity of the blood, liver and kidneys, general debility, dyspepsia, incipient consumption, piles, &c. &c. Prepared only at Hyatt's Medical Depot, No. 380 Grand-st; $1 a bottle, six bottles for $5.

BATCHELOR'S HAIR DYE—THE ORIGINAL, THE authentic, the best, the only one to be relied on, the only one of its kind. Free from Nitrate of Silver or any other injurious ingredient, it is warranted to produce the well effects of hair dye. Make and sold or applied, (in 2 private rooms,) at BATCHELOR'S Wig Factory, No. 233 Broadway.

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TO SEA-BATHERS.—WE HAVE NOW IN STORE a large stock of goods suitable for bathing dresses, which we are now selling at great bargains. Also, Menzies Mixtures of various colors.

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SILKS! SILKS! AT 50c. PER YARD.—WE WILL offer on Monday, July 14, four cases of rich Plaid and Striped Silks at 50c. per yard, worth 62½c. Also, 75 Black Silks at great bargains.

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ALBERT H. NICOLAY'S REGULAR SEMI-WEEKLY Auction sale of Stocks and Bonds will take place THIS DAY at 12½ o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange. The particulars can be had on application in another column. Catalogues can be obtained at the office, No. 11 Broad-st.

TRAVELING TRUNKS, VALISES, &c.—THE LARGEST stock and greatest variety of Traveling Trunks, &c. in the Union, at the lowest cash prices, corner of Chatham-way and Mulberry-st., (under Howard Hotel.)

GROUCH & FITZGERALD, Manufacturers.

PRINTED LAWNS AT 6½c. PER YARD.—ON MONDAY we will offer another large lot of fine Printed Lawns of 6d. Also, two cases of fine Lawns, worth 12½c. at 6½c. Also, 500 Printed Cashmere Shawls at 12½c., worth $1.

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TO ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS.—TRANSITS, Levels, Compasses, and one new English French, all of superior construction, for sale by

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RICH PRINTED BAREGES AT 12½ PER YARD.—E. H. LEADBEATER & CO., No. 261 Broadway, will offer on Monday, 14th instant, Printed Barages at 12½ per yard; these cases are rich Satin Plaid at 25c., worth 62½.

CORN FARINA.—WHICH FOR CHEAPNESS, DELICACY and nutriment is equal to arrowroot or Indian arrowroot, is a dish, stands unequalled. Prepared and sold by BENSEL & HOLMAN, Washington Hill, 184 Greenwich-st.

M. VANDERHOOF'S PEARL, WHALE AND LARD Oils, are unequaled by any in the City. All who have once purchased continue to purchase. Stands for sale, Grand-st., Corner Pike, 78 and 80 Frankfort-st.

THE PROHIBITORY LAW.

Its Operation for this City.

THE FREE LIST.

Arrests for intoxication appear to be slightly on the increase. The total arrests for this offence from Saturday morning until Sunday evening was 70. At Jefferson Market there were 19 cases, the Tombs 30, and Essex Market 21. We understand that ex-Justice CLARKE intends applying for a writ of habeas corpus to-day for the purpose of testing the power of the Magistrates to commit prisoners, in default of the payment of the fine of $10. Justice BRENNAN now fines the prisoner, or in default of that fine, commits for ten days,—in some cases he dismisses with a reprimand. The free list is not so spicy to-day as it is sometimes.

JEFFERSON MARKET.

Before Justice Russell.

BELIEVED IT WAS IMPORTED.

Hugh Kennedy, No. 309 Twenty-ninth-street, got intoxicated on the gin he purchased of Michael Haley, corner of Twenty-ninth-street and Tenth-avenue; he is a good judge of liquor and believes it was "imported."

SOME MISTAKE.

John Michael Garen, Gold-street House, was not intoxicated that he recollects; had been taking some liquor, but don't know where he got it.

EFFECTS OF A MIXTURE.

John Arms, Thirty-ninth-street, drank three glasses of beer and three glasses of gin; he paid three cents a glass; don't know whether it was imported liquor or home made.

WEAT ONE GLASS WILL DO.

George McCarty, No. 160, Thirty-fifth-street, drank one glass of gin; don't know where he bought it.

TREATED BY A FRIEND.

Ann Costello, Twenty-sixth-street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, drank the brandy from which she became intoxicated from a bottle in her own house. The "imported" was given her by a friend who came to see her; don't know where her friend obtained the liquor.

THE FOREMAN RESPONSIBLE.

John Weldon, Elizabeth-street, between Houston and Prince streets, drank both brandy and beer in a house in the Bowery, kept by a German, but don't know his name nor the number of the house. The brandy and beer was purchased by the foreman with whom he worked.

WITHOUT AN IDEA.

James Pratt, No. 28 Waverley place, had no idea where he got drank; knows that he drank champagne at Robinson's, Chambers-street, but didn't get drunk there.

FORTER DANGEROUS.

Michael Farrell, Eleventh-avenue, near Forty-fourth-street, got fuddled on porter.

THE ONE OR THE OTHER.

Daniel Thompson, No. 278 Mulberry-street. Strong beer and brandy obtained at a grocery on the corner of Grand and Crosby streets, fixed him. Don't know who keeps the store. Don't know whether it was imported liquor he drank.

ALL SORTS.

Hugh Hayes, No. 222 Twenty-seventh street, got drunk on all sorts of liquor. Don't know where he obtained it.

DRANK IT IN AN ALLEY-WAY.

John E. Hughes, No. 331 Seventh-avenue, met a friend named John Gilreaan, who had some brandy in a bottle. Was induced by him to go up an alley-way, where they had a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether—the effects of which sent him ten days to prison.

IN HER OWN HOUSE.

Catharine Brandon, No. 71 West Broadway, drank the liquor in her own house, but don't know where it came from.

DIDN'T BUY IT.

Martin Hughes, Thirty-third-street, between Ninth and Tenth-avenues, got drunk on brandy which he did not purchase.

AFTER SUPPER.

Jas. Simlet, No. 12 Wooster street, with some friends took supper at the Metropolitan Hotel, where they drank champagne and other wines.

PAID FOR IT.

Reuben Latten, No. 693 Washington-street, obtained brandy at Lockwood's, corner of West and Atlee-streets. He paid for his liquor; drank at another place in Spring street; can't tell whether or not it was imported.

SHOULDN'T HAVE STIRRED.

Wm. Oxley, No. 167 West Thirteenth-street, got the liquor on which he became intoxicated at his own house. Gin, beer and porter overpowered him. Sent a little girl for it; don't know where it was obtained.

DON'T KNOW.

John Fulton, Second-avenue, between Thirty-second and Thirty-third streets, drank beer and whisky at Pat. Cohan's, corner of Thirty-second-street and Second avenue. Also drank liquor at a house in Second-avenue; don't know that it was imported.

COULDN'T BE POSITIVE.

George Lindsay, No. 1 Horatio-street, drank two glasses of strong beer in the Bowery, but cannot positively recollect where the place or house is.

TWO DRINKS $10.

Thomas Jackson, No. 187 Forsyth-street, became intoxicated from one glass of beer, an another of brandy, which was obtained at a house on the corner of Christie and Rivington streets.

ALL OWING TO GIN.

Harriet Livingston, Avenue A, between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets, got drunk on gin which she did not purchase.

ESSEX MARKET.

Before Justice Wood.

The affidavits of the offenders at this Court are dull and prosy. The liquor on that side of the City needs looking after. It has a powerful effect on the memory, and the lower extremities. Offenders generally "cave in" after the first glass.

The following is a list of the offenders brought before Justice Wood.

Wm. Gage, No. 324 Cherry-street; Cornelius Reardon, James-street; Patrick Dillon, No. 281 Avenue B; John Finn, corner of Hamilton and Goerck streets; Daniel McClain, No. 240 Eleventh-street; Timothy Murphy, No. 284 Scammel-street; Patrick Lowery, No. 162 Goerck-street; James Hughes, corner of Monroe and Jackson streets; Edward Lesk, No. 5 Second street; Isaac Goodman, corner Governeur and Division streets; Margaret Kelly, No. 70 Goerck-street; Samuel Havens, No. 9 Eighth-street; Patrick Connolly, Eighth-street; Andrew Kyle (no home;) John Clarke, Long Island; John Ellens, of Newark, N. J.; Charles Hamilton, No. 200 Thirteenth-street; George Carter, No. 60 Cherry street; Andrew Riley, No. 75 Broome-street; Ann Gillespie, No. 376 Water-street; Margaret West, Baxter-street; Edward Mehan, No. 368 Sixth-street; Ellen Blake, No. 180 Avenue A; Daniel McManus, No. 10 Centre Market-place; Mary Sutton, Elizabeth-street; Ann Hart; No. 206 Elizabeth-street; E. A. Lewis, No. 301 Henry-street; Wm. Daggers, No. 92 Gold-street; Michael Connery, No. 46 Jackson-street.

Richard Ferris, No. 307 Twelfth-street, was lucky enough to escape the ten days' confinement by paying his fine. He drank some wine at a friend's house in Mott-street, met a party in the Bowery and went to a place in Hamilton-street, near the Bowery—a German place—where he drank two bottles of wine; lost his watch there; went to a house in the Bowery, opposite Prince-street, kept by a man named Huley, when he told his companions that his watch was stolen; they all left in a hurry; they were all strangers to him. Costly space.

THE TOMBS.

Before Justice Connolly.

At this Court they have got a book, equal in size to the Mayor's big complaint book, in which the statements of persons are recorded. It is termed the "Drunkard's Record." In the due course of time it will be a most valuable record to consign to the archives, if we ever have such a place in the New City Hall. The autographs of the offenders would form a fine subject for study.

PALE BRANDY.

Michael Finn, Franklin-street, drank pale brandy, but who he got it of he couldn't tell.

Reuben Decker got drunk in the liquor store at the corner of Centre and Hester streets.

John Foley, King-street, drank some beer in Brooklyn, but he does not know where.

A DOTING HUSBAND.

Catharine Harney, of Thirteenth-street, got drunk on some liquor that her husband gave her.

Sarah Simpson, West Broadway, got drunk on some liquor a woman in the house gave her.

Samuel McCarthy, No. 164 Washington-street, got the liquor that made him drunk at the corner of Greenwich and Murray streets.

James Conway, Mulberry-street, don't know the name of the person who sold the liquor.

IMPORTED FROM ALBANY.

Timothy Cody, Montgomery County, New-York, came down from Albany in the steamboat; had a bottle in his pocket, and enjoyed himself on the way coming down.

A YANKEE BLADE.

Mary Ann Williams says she goes on board the camel boat Yankee Blade, lying at Pier No. 2, North River. She drank three glasses of brandy last night; got it all in one store in Roosevelt, corner of Water-street. The store is kept by a Dutchman; paid three cents a glass for the liquor.

HE WAS A STRANGER.

Francis Exzier was a stranger in the City and didn't know where he got his grog.

Wm. Jones, North Moore street, drank bitters on the corner of Chatham and Baxter streets.

RUM SHOPS IN WATER STREET.

Clara Kelly, No. 9 Thomas street, got her liquor in Water-street. It affected her seriously; thinks the name of the street should be changed.

A PENCHANT FOR GIN COCK-TAILS.

Patrick Campbell, Raymond-street, Brooklyn, drank liquor of some description at fifty places yesterday. Had a number of gin cock-tails.

Patrick Graine, boatman, got drunk on liquor furnished him by the captain.

Geo. Owens, corner of Madison and Oliver streets, purchased his liquor on the corner of Oak and Roosevelt streets.

CURRANT WINE AS A MEDICINE.

Wm. Valentine, M. D., resides at Florence's Hotel; drank nothing but current wine; it was recommended to him as a medicine; have drank nothing intoxicating in two years.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF HIS FOREFATHERS.

George Jennings, Fort Greene, Brooklyn. The offender was a man about fifty years of age. When requested to swear by the magistrate, he refused to do so, it was against his conscience to swear upon a Bible that had a cross upon the back of it. The old man who was not entirely sober was humored, and another Bible was brought to him. He was at last sworn. On being asked what he had drank, he said he had drank everything he met. He drank beer and rum, and would do so till the day he died; his forefathers, who were as good men as the Judges, drank rum, and he would do the same; he did not know where he got his rum, and even if he did know, rather than inform he would take a pistol and shoot himself. He was friendly with Quakers, liked them, and would drink with them, but would be —— if he would drink with a Papist; hadn't the money to pay. He was trotted down stairs.

No more warrants as yet have been issued for the arrest of liquor dealers.

THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC IN BROOKLYN.

About the usual number of drunkards were brought before the Police Courts, examined as to where they obtained their liquor, and fined.

The case of Thomas Berry, charged with selling intoxicating liquors in violation of the Prohibitory Liquor Law, was brought up before Justice JACOBS in the Eastern District, Saturday. The motion made previously by defendant's counsel, Mr. Hammond, that the defendant be admitted to bail to await the action of the Grand Jury, was denied.

Counsel then raised an objection to the proceedings, that according to the act passed April 13, the Justices of Williamsburg had no authority to do criminal business, and moved that the defendant be discharged on the ground of want of jurisdiction. The Justice will render a decision on Tuesday next.

The case of William Guishard, for the same offence, was disposed of in the same manner.

Operations on the New-York Prohibitory Law throughout the State.

ALBANY—THE LANDON CASE.—This case was resumed yesterday afternoon. As usual, the Court room was very much crowded, and the outer hall was thronged with persons unable to gain access. It is noticeable that not only are there large numbers of former dealers, but also very many zealous temperance men present. James I. Johnson was the only witness examined. He swore to having drank and paid for several glasses of brandy at the bar of the City Hotel on the 6th, and also that, in an apparently serious manner, Mr. Landon had expressed a desire to be complained of, so as to have the law tested. Under these circumstances, Mr. J. had freely spoken of the matter to a leading temperance man, who had, he understood, communicated the fact to Mr. Williams. A great deal of irrelevant matter was introduced. Mr. Porter, counsel for defence, stated that he understood the complainant would probably introduce no further testimony. The defence had but one or two points to present. They designed to show that the liquor was imported, &c. The evidence would occupy but half an hour or so. Both counsel desired time to prepare in writing the several points in the case, and time would be saved by an adjournment to permit it to be done. Mr. Porter had the consent of the counsel for complainant to an adjournment till Monday. After consultation, Justice COLE adjourned the case to Monday, 10 o'clock A. M.

AMSTERDAM.—In Amsterdam, Montgomery County, a complaint was entered against the keeper of the American Hotel for selling intoxicating liquors in violation of the Prohibitory Law. The defendant was arraigned before Justice FERGUS, plead not guilty, and demanded a Jury trial. This demand was complied with, when the counsel for the defendant, Mr. Finlayson, argued against the constitutionality of the law, and Mr. Corey, for the people, in reply. The trial occupied two days, when, as we learn from Mr. Neff, police officer, the Jury brought in a verdict of guilty, and the defendant was fined $50.

PLATTSBURG.—The first trial in this village, under the new law, was had before Justice SAILLY and a Jury, on Tuesday. James Higgins was brought up charged with selling liquor contrary to law—the offence was proved—constitutionality of the law and other points argued by the respective counsel—Jury could not agree. S. S. M. Beckwith, for prosecution; W. R. Jones, for defendant. Higgins was afterwards indicted by the Grand Jury then in session—brought before the Court—plead "not guilty"—trial put over to the next Court having jurisdiction.

UTICA.—The investigation of the case of Thos. P. McElwaine, proprietor of the City Saloon, charged with violating the Prohibitory law, was postponed until Friday next, the 20th inst. The complaint was made by the Overseer of the Poor.

SYRACUSE.—The liquor case which has been pending several days, resulted on Friday in a verdict of guilty against the seller, and he was fined $50. Warrants were thereupon issued against several others.

SARATOGA.—Several witnesses were examined before Judge McKean on Friday, preliminary to issuing process against Mr. Deuel, of the Montgomery Hall, for selling liquor without license.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ Dr. Townsend's Sarsaparilla.—This is the great Spring and Summer remedy, and the only permanent BLOOD PURIFIER and eradicator of disease.

Reader, if your blood is impure, and your system out of order, there is nothing that will so soon restore you to health, and create NEW, RICH AND PURE BLOOD, as the GENUINE DR. TOWNSEND'S SARSAPARILLA.

Try a bottle or two. Thousands will testify that it is the only medicine which EFFECTUALLY CURES AND KEEPS THE BLOOD PURE.

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☞ Those Ladies Linen Boots and Slippers ARE SELLING RAPIDLY AT HARRIOTT'S BROADWAY FAMILY SHOE EMPORIUM, No 435 Broadway, cor. of Howard-st.

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☞ Redding's Russian Salve—25 cts. a Box.—A Boston remedy of 20 years' standing—a sure and speedy cure for Burns Scalds, Boils, and all external injuries; recommended by physicians. Sold by all druggists in the United States. A. B. & D. SANDS, C. V. CLICKENER & CO., C. H. RING, New-York; WM. B. RIKER, JOHN GILBERT & CO., Philadelphia, and REDDING & CO., Proprietors, Boston.

☞ Balm of Thousand Flowers—For beautifying the complexion and eradicating all tan, pimples or freckles from the face. FETRIDGE & CO., Franklin-square, New-York; for sale by C. H. RING, Broadway, and all druggists.

☞ To Nervous Sufferers.—A retired clergyman, restored to health in a few days, after many years of great nervous suffering, is anxious to make known the means of cure. Will send (free) the prescription used. Direct to Rev JOHN M. DAGNALL, No. 46 Fulton-st., Brooklyn, N. Y. CAUTION.—All quack imitations are spurious, and counterfeits of his original prescription.

☞ Dr. S. S. Fitch—Author of the "Six Lectures on Consumption," office No 714 Broadway; open daily, (Sundays excepted,) from 8 to 9 o'clock, treats consumption, asthma, diseases of the heart, and all chronic diseases of males and females. Consultation free.

☞ FRANK MILLER'S LEATHER PRESERVATIVE AND WATERPROOF OIL BLACKING.—I am continually receiving complaints of persons travelling in different sections of the country asking as MILLER'S LEATHER PRESERVATIVE AND WATERPROOF OIL BLACKING, an article which is not only worthless and injurious to leather. So nearly have they imitated my labels and blacking in appearance, that many have been deceived. My customers and those wishing my article of blacking, will do well to see the signature in full—FRANK MILLER, Washington, N. Y., instead of F. MILLER, as formerly, is upon the foot and inside label on the corner of each box or jar of blacking. For sale in most towns and cities throughout the country. FRANK MILLER.

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The act of the Legislature of this State, recently passed, upon the prohibition of intemperance, I believe, has been so fully discussed by the press and others, that I do not think it advisable at this time to enter largely into the discussion of it.

I shall confine myself to giving, in my opinion, the reasons why the examination I have made of it, with a few explanatory remarks.

This is a highly penal statute. It creates offences which did not exist in the law before, and is lavish in inflicting fines, imprisonment and forfeiture of property.

I shall first consider this case on the supposition that all liquors, as well those imported as those manufactured in the country, are embraced in the provisions of the law.

I think this act, if carried out, will amount in effect and substantially to the general destruction of this kind of property.

It prohibits the sale of liquors for all purposes except for medicinal, manufacturing and sacramental uses. These exceptions are comparatively trifling in amount. They form a mere minimum.

This kind of property is manufactured and imported, bought and sold to be used as a beverage, and when no longer allowed to be used in that way, it is rendered in a great measure worthless as an article of merchandise and traffic. Under these circumstances, it is questionable whether a dealer in the article could afford to pay the storage for keeping it.

The power of disposal is an essential ingredient in the idea of property.

Property imports dominion, use, control. In a civilized country—indeed in any country advanced beyond the Hunter State—the power of disposal is all important. No man would acquire this property in the way of business as an article of exchange for the ordinary uses to which it is applied, unless he could sell it.

A manufacturer or importer don't expect to consume himself, or in his own family, his merchandise. Every one must see then that the great object of this act is, by destroying the general power of disposal of this property for its ordinary uses, to destroy the property itself, and it must be so held in law. This minimum of exception will only serve to establish the general rule and object, which is destruction.

The question then arises, can the Legislature destroy this property by this act under the circumstances of the case?

It will, I think, be conceded by every constitutional lawyer, that they cannot pass an act arbitrarily to destroy any kind of property without some legitimate ulterior object to be obtained. Suppose they should pass an act to destroy all the superfine broadcloths in the State—such an act would cut to the hand. It would be absolutely void. It would be so because it would impair vested rights.

Suppose the act should go farther, and prohibit the future acquisition of such property—it would, then, also be void. It would, in that case, deprive the citizen of the inalienable right to "the pursuit of happiness," or, in other words, to acquire by his industry the comforts of life. It would deprive him of the liberty and privilege of acquiring property. This liberty was acquired in England by Magna Charta—and the provision therein is imbedded in our State Constitution.

The right to property is a vested right, and cannot be arbitrarily taken away without impeaching the obligation of contracts.

It is said the State Legislature, in its sovereign capacity, can regulate property. This is true. And under this head they may restrict and control its use, regulate the mode of sale, and even prohibit its sale altogether. They may also direct its destruction at once and absolutely. But all this must be done, and can only be done, for some legitimate ulterior purpose within legislative competency. They may do all this when necessary for the preservation of life or health—of religion or morality. But, in a free country, where property is protected under a paramount fundamental law, the necessity must clearly exist.

Where that necessity does not exist, the fundamental law must prevail—must protect property from the iron grasp of arbitrary power.

There is, and in the nature of the case there must be, a line of demarcation between this legislative power on the one hand to impair and even destroy property for those ulterior objects above alluded to, and on the other hand the power of the judiciary under the fundamental law to protect the citizen in his property against hasty or ill-advised legislation, amounting to the destruction of property when that necessity does not exist.

By whom is this line to be drawn? The advocates of arbitrary legislative power say it must be done exclusively by the Legislature—that they are the sole judges. This would be rendering the fundamental law as to its action upon the Legislature a dead letter. When they shall attempt to destroy property by arbitrary laws, all they have to do is to aver by way of enactment that it is necessary to do so, and the hands of the judiciary are tied. It is said they are sovereign; but their sovereignty cannot screen them when their acts are brought to the touchstone of the Constitution and the supervision of the judiciary who are its guardians.

The Legislature is of course to decide for themselves in the first instance, and if there is a probable ground, the averment that the property is a nuisance or otherwise injurious, so as to present a foundation for the restriction upon its use or for its destruction, their decision and action will be final and conclusive upon the judiciary. But, if there is no such probable ground, the judiciary should pass upon the subject accordingly, whenever the matter is brought regularly before them.

By way of illustration, take the cemetery cases in 5th and 7th Cowens' Reports. Certain lots had been used as burying grounds in the City of New-York for a long period. In the process of time the population became so dense as to render the use of the land for such purposes prejudicial to health; so much so as to amount to a nuisance. The Corporation of New-York, by ordinance, under the authority of the State Government, prohibited all future burials. This act of the Corporation was the same in effect as if it had been done by an act of the Legislature. The judiciary would see a cause for such legislative action. The matter of fact they based on probability would be deemed by them final and conclusive. Neither the Legislature nor the judiciary in such cases act upon what would be called legal evidence in a court of law, but upon that general information so varied in relation to such subjects by officers acting in a public capacity.

But suppose the Legislature, under pretence of a nuisance, or some other ground, should prohibit interments within fifty miles of a city, would the judiciary sustain it? Clearly not. They would treat it as an arbitrary interference with private rights, and declare it unconstitutional. In the first two cases alluded to, the ordinances were sustained, because, although vested rights were incidentally impaired, they must give way to the public security. But in the other supposed case, there would be no such mischief existing or to be guarded against. Then arbitrary legislation must yield to the protection of property under the fundamental law.

I might illustrate the subject by referring to a class of cases under another branch of the Constitution. Property cannot be taken for public uses without making compensation to the owner. The Legislature takes property and provides what they deem in their legislative capacity a just compensation; but the judiciary have repeatedly held such compensation in particular cases to be inadequate, and declared the act void. They do it because they must exercise a supervisory control over legislative action when necessary to protect private rights under the Constitution.

Another topic of a kindred nature may be here adverted to. A law compelling a judgment creditor to submit to an appraisement of the property of a debtor, and not to file an execution, unless it should bring two-thirds of the appraised value, has been held by the United States Supreme Court to be void, as impairing the rights of creditors. Now it can hardly be pretended that a party to a contract has a greater right under execution in the property of his debtor, than an individual has in his own vested property.

It has also been decided that a judgment creditor cannot be delayed for a limited time from selling on execution. The State Legislature, in these step laws might, by argument, have rendered valid their enactments under cover of sanitary regulation, if the judiciary in such cases had been bound by their averments.

Gunpowder is frequently a nuisance in certain localities, and the State Legislature may protect human life and property from its injurious effects. But suppose a Legislature, under broad averments of its universal noxious qualities, should enact that it was a nuisance and prohibit the sale of it throughout the State—would the judiciary, when applied to for relief, quietly submit to it and give no redress?

The sale of liquor in small quantities, in unsuitable places, as by such persons, may be injurious. All this may be guarded against by appropriate statutory regulation. Drunkenness may be punished as a vice, and in a way to make it degrading. The property of persons addicted to intoxication, and becoming unfit to manage their affairs, may be taken out of their hands. There is a vast field for legislative regulation upon to the reformer within the legitimate scope of the Constitution.

To abolish the entire use of all kinds of liquors except hard cider, raised in the rural districts, because less than one half of one per cent of the entire population are addicted to the excessive use of liquors, is going too far in a Constitutional Government. It is legislating against the many. In the next place we have to inquire, what are the vested rights which would be unconstitutionally impaired by this act?

They are property in liquor, acquired and owned by individuals at the time the act goes into operation; and, secondly, property in liquor imported under the laws and treaties of the United States subsequently to that period. In this, there will be a vested right, lawfully and legally acquired, independently of State legislation, and paramount to it.

It is lawful, under the authority of the United States to introduce it, and to acquire a vested right in it when thus introduced; it is lawful to use it, and it will be protected under the Constitution to the same extent as any other vested right.

But I concur with Mr. GERARD in thinking that this act does not embrace within its operation foreign liquors at all.

They are expressly excluded by the exception in the first section. If it should be said that the Legislature did not mean to except the liquor, but only liquor in a certain state or condition, viz: in the original casks and packages, it may be safely affirmed that such a qualification is not in the law. A penal statute cannot be extended or narrowed down in its exceptions contrary to the plain words.

The twenty-second section does not to limit this exception. It is precautionary, not restrictive.

Lastly—The remedies provided for enforcing this act are extremely objectionable. They violate, in most important particulars, the sixth section of our State Constitution.

Among other things, they make a man, in effect, give evidence against himself.

They presume him guilty instead of innocent, and then require him to prove his innocence.

They make ex parte affidavits of facts, and even of surmises, evidence against him upon the merits to establish his guilt.

All these provisions are inconsistent with the injunction that no person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property, without due process of law.

It will be recollected that these provisions in the Constitution are taken from Magna Charta.

It has been attempted to palliate these innovations upon the old settled common law rules, by asserting that similar regulations are resorted to in what are called proceedings in rem, in the Federal Courts.

These proceedings in rem, are taken originally from the civil law, and were introduced into Admiralty and Exchequer cases at an early period. Now, no one will object to them as far as they were thus carried, if they are confined to those subjects within those limits. Magna Charta, from time to time, during a long period, was repeatedly confirmed. During that time there was a constant effort by the ecclesiastics, learned in the civil law, to introduce it, with all its arbitrary regulations, into the main body of the municipal law, which effort was as constantly resisted. Hence this provision of Magna Charta, which, as events show, was wisely introduced into the State Constitution. The reformers of modern times require the same curb which was put by the old common law lawyers upon the ecclesiastical innovators of that early period. Common law forms of proceeding may be altered; but the great rules of evidence here adverted to and violated in this act were intended to be preserved by this provision of the Constitution, which has been borrowed from Magna Charta.

These views and considerations should not be lost sight of in construing this clause in our State Constitution. Otherwise, the whole of our Criminal Code, under the same influences which brought forth this act, might be marked with the same dark features of despotism.

Habitual drunkenness is unquestionably a great vice, and many other moral evils follow in its train. The destruction of all liquor would, to be sure, prevent it. So the destruction of all property would prevent legal theft and robbery.

The great object of the legislator ought to be to awaken a strong feeling of degradation in regard to it. This has not, as yet, been accomplished. It ought to be done, and it may be done without encroaching on constitutional rights or the great principles of liberty embodied in the administration of our criminal laws. GEORGE WOOD.

NEW-YORK, Monday, June 25, 1855.

Horrid Murder in Cincinnati—A Woman Killed by her Paramour.

From the Cincinnati Commercial, July 13.

THE neighborhood of Third-street, between Elm and Plum, was thrown into a state of mild excitement shortly after daylight yesterday morning, from the circumstance of the murder of a colored woman, named REBECCA THOMAS, by a young man named RICHARD TAYLOR, also colored, who had been living with her as her paramour. The following are the circumstances of the case, as stated by TAYLOR himself:

TAYLOR is a barber, and worked with SAMUEL THOMAS, brother of the married woman, on Western-row, between Eighth and Ninth streets, and for several months had been living with REBECCA. During the period he has been habitually intoxicated, and they were continually wrangling with each other, she telling him to go away and leave her, calling him a penitentiary bird, a drunken dog, and other not very choice epithets, and he accusing her with incontinency, which, by the way, she did not deny.

Yesterday morning he went to her house, and was ordered away by her. She told him that he could never live with her again, and that she was done with him forever. He said to her, "REBECCA, will you promise never to live with another man if I leave you?" To which she replied, "No, I will promise no such thing." After a few more words he left and went to the corner of Western-row and Fifth-street, where there is a hardware store, and asked if they had butchers' knives for sale. Some knives were shown him, and he selected one with a blade about eight inches long, which he purchased, and went back to REBECCA's house. He found her in the yard washing; passed by her and went up stairs. She followed him, and said to him, "You d—d drunken son of a b—h, hasn't I told you never to come into my house again?" He said to her in a conciliating tone of voice, "BECKY, don't curse me;" but she continued to abuse him, until at length he sprang toward her, as he says, perfectly crazy with passion, drew his knife, and without stopping to take off the paper with which it was enveloped, plunged it into her side. He does not know how many times he cut her, but recollects hearing her say, "Have mercy on me, TAYLOR; don't kill me."

After committing the fatal act he walked out of the house, and went as far as the corner of Fourth and Walnut streets, when he was arrested and taken to the station-house.

He expresses his regret at what he has done, but says he expects nor desires no clemency. At the station-house yesterday morning, he seemed to be much affected, and was so overcome with emotion as to be scarcely able to articulate. He says he loved the woman too much to see her in the possession of another; that he had left his wife for her, and gave her all his earnings.

The murdered girl was about twenty-one years of age. TAYLOR has often made threats that he would kill her, but says he never thought he would do so; and that his first intention in purchasing the knife was to frighten her only, but that becoming mad with passion, he killed her. He expresses his willingness to make a true statement of all the facts before the Court, and says that he will not give them the trouble to call any witnesses. He fully expects to expiate his crime on the gallows.

The deceased is dreadfully mutilated. One of her hands is partially severed at the wrist, and both arms are cut in several places. There are, also, three wounds in her back, and a large deep cut on one of her shoulders.

The Murder and Suicide at St. Louis.

From the St. Louis Republican, July 11.

An incident of a most painful and interesting character has just been brought to light; the murder of her sister by the hands of her own brother, and subsequently his own self-destruction. It will be remembered, that on Monday morning we noticed the fact, that a young man by the name of F. BLESSING, was found dead in his room at King's Hotel, under circumstances that led conclusively to the belief that he had committed suicide. Such, indeed, turned out to be the fact, and the circumstances connected with it and the murder which preceded, are of a nature intensely interesting.

The name of the unfortunate girl was EMILY BLESSING, who, having no parents, was left to the guardianship of her brothers and a married sister who lives in this city. We do not profess to be strictly accurate, but are informed that she was placed in a convent in this city, from which place she frequently escaped, and gave such evidences of a disorder bordering on insanity as to render her relatives exceedingly unhappy. Young Blessing, her brother, was particularly affected by her behavior, and for some time previous to the dreadful occurrence, seemed at times low spirited. On the afternoon of the fatal day, he got a buggy and proceeded to a house on Fourth-street, well known for its bad repute, and there saw his sister, whom he prevailed upon to take a ride with him. His manner is represented as having been quiet, and exhibiting no sign of the terrible resolution he had evidently concealed in his heart.

The brother and sister left the house together. It is known that he went up the Bellefontaine Road with and returned without her. He came back to his hotel near dusk, where he was joined, we are told, by his brother and brother-in-law, with whom he spent the evening in his own room, they little dreaming of the dreadful act he had committed. His conduct, in fact, appeared rather gay, and he sent for a bottle of champagne, which was drank. In the meantime he occupied himself in writing a letter. After an hour or so spent they left, and in the morning, as before recorded, he was found a corpse. The fact of his having taken his sister out with him and returning without her, and his well known sensitive nature, created a suspicion that he had killed her as well as himself, and accordingly search was made in the direction which they had gone, and yesterday morning the body of EMILY BLESSING, his sister, was found near the Watkins Road, in the woods, in what is known as the Lower Columbia Bottom, about 7 miles from the city. She had on a pink muslin dress and straw bonnet, and there were two bullet holes through her head, one above the right temple and the other just below the cheek bone, ball passing out through the left ear. At the coroner's investigation, it was proven by three witnesses that on the evening in question five successive pistol shots were heard. There was a fence near by, and a close examination of the road led to the belief that he had hitched his horse and taken her a distance of some thirty yards in the woods, where he perpetrated the act. The repeated firing can only be accounted for from the fact, that she saw his purpose too late, and resisting, some of the barrels missed. The conclusion is clear to our mind, from his subsequent conduct, that he intended killing not only her but himself there, but his weapon was exhausted in sacrificing his sister, and he was compelled to return to the city, without putting his fatal resolution in regard to his own life, into effect. Certain it is that a few hours afterwards, with his own hands, his soul was released from all earthly trouble and sent into that world where the soul of his sister had just preceded him.

Let the mantle of mercy fall upon this brother and sister. None but those who love and value the honor of a sister can, in common charity, extenuate his crime. Dreadful as it is, and with all the consequences it entails, he has been driven by a keen sense of honor which is entitled at least to respect, to sacrifice his own life and that of his sister, rather than live to see her disgraced.

Mr. BLESSING was a young man only about twenty-three years of age, an engineer on the river, and was much esteemed by every one who knew him; and his sister was but a few years his junior.

Infamous Attempt to Destroy Life in Providence.

One of the most infamous attempts to destroy life and property ever known in this region, was made on Thursday night, happily without fatal result. The particulars, so far as they have been communicated to us, are briefly as follows: At about 12 o'clock on the night of the 12th inst. an explosion of a large quantity of gunpowder took place in the house of JOHN TUCKER, Esq., formerly a deputy sheriff and member of the General Assembly from North Providence. The house is situated on Smith street, just west of the city line, and at but a few steps distance from several other dwelling houses. There were six or eight persons in the house at the time, all of whom were asleep. None of them sustained any injury except Mr. TUCKER, who was hurled from his bed by the violence of the explosion several feet into an adjoining room, the partition between which and his sleeping-room had been thrown down by the shock. His hand was slightly burned, and he suffered from the effects of the sudden jar, but was not supposed to be dangerously hurt.

His escape from immediate death is short of miraculous. By the investigation made on Friday morning, it appears that a keg of gunpowder was placed in his chamber on the first floor of the house, directly under the head of his bed. An augur hole had been bored through the floor into the cellar window, where it was easily fired from the street, running directly by the west side of the house. The explosion was of such violence as to raise the bedstead on end, hurling Mr. TUCKER from it, as already stated. Every partition on the lower floor of the house was thrown down, a considerable portion of the westerly side of the house was thrown some distance into the street, all the windows in the lower story were broken, and most of the sash thrown out of the casings, and the east and south end of the house were wrenched in such a manner that it is surprising the house should have withstood so violent a shock. The floor of the room over that in which the explosion took place, settled some three feet, rendering it difficult for the inmates to escape in the confusion attending the first alarm, which they supposed arose from the house being on fire. Nearly every article of furniture in the house was destroyed. One visitor states that the only object he saw which appeared uninjured was an old-fashioned clock, which had stopped at the moment of the explosion.

The house was of wood, substantially built, handsomely finished, and nearly new. It was two stories high, with a basement, and an ell on the south. The damage we have heard estimated at two or three thousand dollars, and upwards.

There can, unfortunately, be no doubt as to the worse than diabolical malice that caused this explosion. It was produced designedly, and with an ingenuity and a deliberate intention to commit wholesale murder, the baseness of which no language can express. Mr. TUCKER is a man of so kind a disposition, so generally esteemed for his probity and intelligence, as to be the last to excite such an enmity. But even were it otherwise, there is an unparalleled atrocity in contriving means to wreak vengeance upon him, which, but for some happy and unlooked-for interposition, must have involved the destruction of so many others. We trust that no effort will be spared to ferret out the perpetrators of so horrible a crime, and that the police will display their vigilance and sagacity in bringing them to punishment. A reward should be immediately offered, liberal enough to accomplish the ends of justice in a case of such peculiar atrocity.—*Providence Journal.*

REMARKABLE ESCAPE FROM FOUNDERING.—The bark *Swan*, of Baltimore, on the passage from that city for Rio Janeiro, some months back, suddenly sprung a leak, and in order to save the vessel the Captain bore up for Pernambuco, where she arrived making water fast, and was immediately run aground to prevent her sinking. On examining her, the leak was found to proceed from a hole in her bottom, through which a carpenter's chisel was projecting. It was ascertained that the chisel had fallen into the pump, when the vessel was building, three years before, and by the action of the pump had gradually chiseled a hole through the bottom planking, four inches in diameter, the exact dimensions of the pump orifice.

The Iron Trade.

Abridged from the Philadelphia Commercial List.

It seems a general law, that every great civilizing manufacturing interest must undergo a series of reverses, before it attains a permanent and profitable station. What interest has escaped?

Among all, to no one is the remark more applicable than to the manufacture of iron. Its birth in our country was under a faithless star. Yet we dare hope for a brighter future. The earlier manufacture of Iron from the ores, certainly suffered much from a want of knowledge on the part of the iron masters, while among them have been men of observation and intelligence. Yet the masses have been totally unfit to conduct the delicate and intricate chemical operations necessary to secure the best results. A want of scientific and general business education has caused the failure of hundreds. A greater cause of trouble has been, and is, a want of sufficient capital. In prosperous times, when in the eyes of the world, furnaces appear to cast dollars, many rush into the business, without any adequate conception of the capital required, and with the first change in price are swept away. The smallest investment that can be made to carry on even a charcoal furnace is large in comparison with other beginnings in other branches of manufacture. The creeper in iron scarcely ever walks.

Much of the necessity of large capital depends upon the third impediment, viz.:—the ever varying Tariff policy. At one time in a Tariff which enables the man of small means to commence and invest all in his preparations; and when ready to work profitably, another Tariff has been passed, which brings him into direct competition with the capital of Europe, and then his last dollar is gone. The foreign capital can afford to work without return for a time, so that all rivalry being crushed, it can reap for larger returns. Such has been the history of thousands, and such is always the policy of English capitalists. The rivalry has been unfair—the Government generally siding with the foreign producer. American Iron Masters' prices have been fixed by the prices of the surplus of Europe, and not by a fair home price.

A fourth point may be found in the fact that since the introduction of Coke Furnaces, the case has stood "Charcoal Iron *vs.* Coke Iron." Coke Iron is made at much less expense than Charcoal Iron, requiring a less investment per ton of Pig Iron made. For many purposes it answers as well. To the public, one piece of iron is like every other. The price is the point; and as a result, Charcoal Iron must come down to Coke Iron, or not be made. To sell at the same prices was ruin, and thousands were ruined.

The labor of Europe has for years been at the mercy of the Capitalists. An existence has been vouchsafed the poor creatures—with only one favorable aspect—the abundance. In the United States, where there is or might be at all times full employment for labor, the prices have been generally remunerating, giving to every one a prompt for a fair competence and happiness. How then could it then be made with such labor to compete against—the labor of Europe?

The cost of transportation from our Iron regions to the seaboard, has equaled the cost of carriage from England to our Atlantic cities, the mines of England being almost on her coast. Such is a condensed statement of the past history of the manufacture of Pig Iron in the United States. How, therefore, can we look for success, where skill, capital, the policy of the Government, the character of the Iron, the labor and cost of transportation have been against us? Let us rather wonder that even a few of the many pioneers in this great interest, have succeeded in their enterprise.

MARKET REPORTS.

Markets.... *Carefully Reported for the N. Y. Daily Times.*

SATURDAY, July 14—6 P. M.

ASHES—Are without essential change. The Inspection Warehouse contained to-day, 105 bbls. Pearls, and 1,832 bbls. Pots, together 1,937 bbls.

COFFEE—We have nothing new to notice in this line. The day's sales embrace 120 bags Laguayra and Maracaibo, at 10½@11½c.; 300 Rio, at 9½c.@10½c., and a parcel of Jamaica on private terms.

COTTON—Continues active and buoyant within the annexed range:

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

	Uplands.	Florida.	Mobile.	N.O.&Texas.
Ordinary, ⅌ lb.	9½	9½	9½	9½
Middling	10½	11	11½	11½
Middling Fair	11½	11½	12	12½
Fair	12½	12½	13	13

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western brands are, as previously reported, somewhat unsettled. Common qualities being partially neglected and on the decline; while a fair home inquiry exists for the medium and better grades, chiefly the former, at pretty firm prices. The day's sales add up 9,000 bbls., within the subjoined range:

Inferior State	$8 31½ @ 8 37½
Ordinary State	8 37½ @ 8 50
Straight State	8 50 @ 8 68¾
Favorite and Extra State	8 68¾ @ 9 00
Mixed Western	9 12½ @ 9 25
Common to good Indiana and Michigan	9 25 @ 9 50
Fancy Michigan	9 50 @ 9 75
Common to good Ohio	9 12½ @ 9 50
Fancy Ohio	9 50 @ 9 75
Extra Ohio	9 75 @ 12 00
Extra Indiana and Michigan	9 50 @ 10 25
Fancy Genesee	9 50 @ 10 50
Extra Genesee	10 00 @ 12 75

Besides the above, some 1,000 bbls were settled by the delivery of Flour, bought for the purpose at current rates. Canadian is rare and needed. 900 bbls common to extra brought $10 12½@$11 12½ ⅌ bbl. Southern is essentially the same—there having been but 1,000 bbls. disposed of at $10 12½@$12 for low mixed to extra brands ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour is moderately inquired for, including fine and superfine, in lots, at $7 37½@$7 50 ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal continues in slack request at $4 75 for Pennsylvania, $4 87½ for Jersey, and $5 25 for Brandywine, ⅌ bbl.

FRUIT—The market remains quiet, but as there is a smaller stock therein, factors are extremely firm for most kinds.

GRAIN—Wheat continues in poor supply and fair request, with sales for the day of 1,300 bushels New Southern Red, to arrive next week, at an unpublished price, and a few small lots of Upper Lake do., part at $2 10 ⅌ bushel. Rye is inactive and laggin; 1,000 bushels were procured to-day at $1 43@$1 45, chiefly at the former rate. Barley and Barley Malt are still unaltered. *State and Western Oats* are plenty, and retailing only at 81c.@85c. ⅌ bushel. Corn is good demand, but being freely offered, it is tending downwards. The day's sales do not exceed 74,000 bushels, making inferior to strictly prime Western mixed at 83c.@84c. ⅌ bushel.

HAY—There were 300 bales River sold at old figures.

HIDES—Mr. HULL informs us that the Hide market has assumed a firmer aspect this week: with moderate receipts and a good demand, prices have advanced fully 1c. ⅌ lb. on most descriptions, and the stock has somewhat diminished. Although the stock in first hands foots up over 100,000 Hides, there are not more than 12,000 offered, even at the present advance, holders preferring to store their Hides, anticipating an active demand and better prices during the coming Autumn. Excepting 6,000 Porto Cabello, which were sold in Philadelphia for this market, and 2,400 Buenos Ayres from store, the transactions have been chiefly in Hides afloat, as most of those in store are held above the market. It is not the season to expect a very brisk demand, and should the receipts be large for a few weeks to come, and importers manifest a disposition to force their Hides upon the market, a reaction would certainly take place. Receipts during the week are 25,946 Hides: 19,450 from foreign ports as follows: 17,546 Orinoco, ex. *Osaro*; 600 African, ex. *Dolphin*; 300 West Indies; 219 Tampico, and about 100 from other ports in small parcels, and 6,467 coastwise, most of which were dealers' purchases in southern ports: Sales consist of 1,946 Orinoco 20@21 lbs. at 19c., six months, usual selection; 2,400 Dry Buenos Ayres 21½ lbs., at 23c. supposed, six months, usual selection; 2,867 Dry Vera Cruz 18 lbs., at 17c., six months, usual selection; 1,095 Dry Vera Cruz 18 lbs., at 16½c., six months, usual selection; 1,000 Dry Matamoros 22 lbs., at 17c., six months, usual selection; 800 Dry Gambia 9 lbs., at 15½c. cash, less discount, usual selections; 2,268 Dry Port-au-Platte 16 lbs. at 15c., six months, rejecting bad damaged; 500 Dry Rio Cabello 22 lbs., at 16c., six months, rejecting bad damaged; 453 Dry Texas 23 lbs., at 14c., six months, rejecting bad damaged. 2,600 Dry and Dry Salted Western and Texas 23 lbs., at 15c., six months, rejecting bad damaged; 500 Dry Maracaibo 22 lbs., at 16c., six months, rejecting bad damaged; 1,500 Dry Savanilla 23 lbs., at 14c., six months, rejecting bad damaged; 174 Dry Charleston 18 lbs., at 14c., cash, rejecting bad damaged; 700 Dry Southern 18 at 16 lbs., at 12½@12½c., cash, rejecting bad damaged; 307 Dry Texas 26 lbs., at 17½c., six months, as they run; 250 Dry Laguna 26 lbs. at 15c., six months, as they run; 166 Dry Salted Trinidad 26 lbs., at 13c., six months, as they run; and 6,000 Dry Porto Cabello (in Philadelphia) 24 lbs., at 16½c., six months, rejecting water damaged, delivered here. The stock on hand of Ox and Cow Hides is 113,950, as follows: 18,400 Dry Buenos Ayres, 54,500 Dry Rio Grande, 30,000 Dry Orinoco, 800 Dry Porto Cabello and Barcelona, 1,250 Dry African, 6,400 Dry Matamoros, &c., — Dry Savanilla, 700 Dry San Juan, — Dry Maracaibo, 1,500 Dry Vera Cruz, 4,750 Dry Chagres, 1,900 Dry Southern and Texas, 2,000 Dry West India, — Dry California, 1,750 Salted Buenos Ayres. Expected to arrive shortly at this port, the *Fairy*, from Rio Grande, with 6,000 Hides; *Moses Taylor*, from Buenos Ayres, with 5,000 Hides; *St. Mary*, from Porto Cabello, with 2,000 Hides; *Clara Borges*, from Porto Cabello, with 1,500 Hides, and others.

HOPS—Are in reduced supply and selling slowly at 25c.@27c. for good to prime, of last year's growth, ⅌ lb.

IRON—The market for this article is without any noticeable change.

LATE—Eastern seem in rather better request at $1 50 cash, ⅌ thousand.

LEAD—Is inactive, but pretty firmly held.

LEATHER—Mr. HULL says that this week's receipts, as well as the sales, have been large. The un expected heavy demand, which set in the middle of last month, has imparted considerable firmness to the market. Most of the dealers look for higher prices next Fall, as there is every prospect of a scarcity in the Leather market and the manufacturers anticipate a good demand. The sales this week are about equal to the sales for the month of July, 1854, and the stock is much reduced, most of that is a very inferior article. The receipts this week have been 70,300 sides hemlock and 3,900 oak, with sales of 70,600 hemlock and 5,100 oak, leaving on hand 56,300 sides of the former, and 16,000 of the latter. We quote: Oak Slaughter and salted, good light 25c.@26c.; do. middle, 25c.@26c.; do. heavy, 25c.@26c.; do. Spanish, all weights, 27c.@28c.; Hemlock, Buenos Ayres, &c., light, 20c.@20½c.; do. middle, 21c.@22c.; do. heavy, 19c.@20c.; do. Orinoco, &c.; light, 17½c.@18½c.; do. middle, 19c.@20c.; do. heavy, 17c.@18c.; do. B. A. damaged, all weights, 16c.@18c.; do. poor, 16c.@17c.; do. slaughter, in rough, 23c.@24c., on six months' credit.

LIME—Rockland has not varied in demand or value.

MOLASSES—Is in fair request at full rates, with sales, in lots, of 270 bbls. New Orleans at 36c.@38c.; and some Cuba at previous figures.

NAVAL STORES—The demand for all kinds is moderate at unchanged prices. The market is not quite so well supplied.

OILS—Whale, Sperm and Olive appear as last noticed. Linseed is even more sought after at 86c.@87c.—but is, in many instances, held for considerably higher prices, which checks transactions. Lard Oil is unaltered.

PROVISIONS—Pork is improving in demand and value. The day's movements reach 1,850 bbls. at $19 75@$20, for new Mess; $16 50 for do. Prime; and $19 50 for old Mess, ⅌ bbl. Cut Meats rule dull and heavy. 125 pkgs. brought but 9½c.@10c. for Hams, and 7½c.@7½c. for Shoulders, ⅌ lb. Lard continues languid, sales having been made up of 350 bbls and tcs. fair to Prime, at 10½c.@10½c. ⅌ lb. Beef is still in fair demand at full rates; 300 bbls. were disposed of during the day at $9 75@$10 25 for Prime; $11@$12 for Country Mess; $16 for repacked Mess, and $17 for extra do., ⅌ bbl. Prime Mess Beef is dull and heavy within a range of from $22@$26 ⅌ tc. Beef Hams are rather inactive and languid at from $15@$17 50 ⅌ bbl.; 200 bbls. sold within the range. Butter is obtainable at 12c.@17c. for Ohio; 16c.@20c. for ordinary to good State, and 21c.@23c. for choice do., ⅌ lb. Cheese sells slowly at from 6c.@9c. ⅌ lb.

RICE—Is apparently unaltered, being quiet, but firm, with a rather small amount offering.

SKINS—Mr. HULL sums up this week's business thus: "GOAT—The market is without animation, and I can only notice a sale of 30 bales Curacoa. The recent arrivals, when landed, will probably cause inactivity in the market. DEARS—The sales this week have been large, embracing all the Foreign and a large parcel of Western, leaving the stock in first hands reduced. I noticed sales of 64 bales Angostura at 43½c.@44c. ⅌ lb., the entire Arkansas collection, 30,000 lbs., to a dealer on private terms; 2,300 lbs. White River, (Arkansas) at 72c.; 4,000 lbs. Honduras at about 48c.; 9,000 lbs. Missouri at 35c.; 800 lbs. Mexican at 36c., all cash."

SUGARS—The market is pretty active, but being better supplied, it is not quite so buoyant. Sales have transpired since our last of about 1,100 hhds mainly Cuba at 5¼c.@6½c., the bulk of 5½c.@6c.; for refining sugar New-Orleans at 5½c.@6c., and Porto Rico at 6½c.@7 ⅌ lb.

TALLOW—We heard that 10,000 lbs. prime brought full previous rates.

WHISKY—There were sold 180 bbls. Ohio and Prices at 24c.@24½c., and 100 bbls. Drudge at 23c.; the latter four months' credit, ⅌ gallon.

FREIGHTS—Continued about the same, with only very moderate engagements, mainly for English ports at previous figures. The latest charters have been: A brig from Sheldne to east coast England, Denis, at 24 3s.; one from St. John, N. B., to Liverpool, 23 12s.; a brig to Cadiz, light Pipe Staves, $30; and, 200 tons, to Gibraltar, Malaga and back, about $3,000; a bark from Norfolk to Porto Rico, Hhd. Staves, $11; a brig from Norfolk to Demerara, Hhd. Staves, $14—(other vessels cancelled); one to Sagua and back, Sugar, $6, and Molasses $3 50; one, 150 tons, to Nuevitas and back, $1,000; a brig to Constantinople, and a bark, a brig, and two schrs. to Malaga and back, on private terms.

☞ WM. SMITH, Esq., has become sole proprietor and editor of the Cincinnati Price Current, having purchased the interest therein of his brother, RICHARD SMITH, Esq., who surrenders his connection with the *Price Current*, in order to devote his whole time and ability to the Cincinnati Gazette. We have known Mr. R. SMITH for a number of years, and can bear witness to the ability with which he has conducted his useful commercial journal. Mr. WM. SMITH, in assuming the management of the *Price Current*, brings to it an experience of several years, which will enable him to maintain the character of his commercial journal.

SALES OF STOCKS AT PHILADELPHIA.—Saturday—First Board—$5,000 City 6s, 73, 94; $12,300 City Railroad 6s, 94; $2,000 do., 94; $6,000 Allegheny Co. 6s, 94; $1,000 Chunkin and Amber Railroad 6s, 90; $1,000 Lehigh Interest Railroad 6s, 85; 25 Pennsylvania R., 44½; 25 Mechanics' Bank, 19; 4 Commercial Bank, 67; 412 do., 67; 8 N. P. R., 67½; 6 North Penn Railroad, 30½; 25 Beaver Meadow Railroad, 51½; 7 New-Orleans Gas, 11½; 2 Lehigh Scrip, 64½; 4 Girard Bank, 13½; 9 Bank of Pennsylvania, 119; 10 Farmers' Bank, 95.

Second Board—$2,000 Reading Railroad 6s, 76, 94; Second Board—$100 City 6s, 94½; $1,000 Alleg Co. 6s (Coupon), 94½; $2,000 Camden and Amboy Railroad 6s, 98, 94½; 100 Mechanics' Bank, 47½.

Closing Prices—United States 6s, 98, 110; Philadelphia 6s, 94@94½; Pennsylvania 5s, 84@84½; Reading Railroad, 47@47½; Reading Railroad Scrip, 75, 75@75½; Reading Railroad Mortgage 6s, 98, 98@98½; Pennsylvania Railroad, 44@44½; Morris Canal, 34@34½; Schuylkill Navigation 6s, '96, 96@97; Schuylkill Navigation, Sixth, 92@92½; Schuylkill Navigation Preferred, 31@31½; Long Island Railroad, 14@14½; Pittsburg Rail Road, 50½; Lehigh Navigation, 65; Lehigh Zinc, 20@21; Union Canal, 34@35; New-Creek, 15@15½.

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AT AN ELECTION held by this Company on the 20th June inst., the following gentlemen were chosen as Directors

AUCTION SALES.

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DUBLIC SALE OF THE MAIN LINE OF PUBLIC WORKS OF PENNSYLVANIA.—Notice is hereby given, that by authority of an act of Assembly, the Main Line of Public Works, will be offered for sale at the Merchants' Exchange in the city of Philadelphia, on TUESDAY, July 31, 1855, at 12 o'clock, P. M., the whole main line of the Public Works between Philadelphia and Pittsburg, the Allegheny Portage Railroad, including the inclined plane, the Eastern division of the Pennsylvania Canal from Columbia to the Junction, the Western division of the Pennsylvania Canal, from the junction to the Eastern terminus of the Allegheny Portage Railroad, including feeders, and including also the Bridge over the Susquehanna at Duncan's Island, together with all the appurtenances belonging to said Canals, and all the reservoirs, aqueducts, culverts, culvert pipes, stationary engines, locomotive engines, tender engines, tell-tales, rail-road stock and materials whatsoever and wheresoever thereunto belonging, or held for the use of the same, and together with all the right, title, interest, claim and demand of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in and to said works, real, personal and mixed, of the same in the said Commonwealth, or elsewhere, to the extent of said interest of the Commonwealth, at Harrisburg, Pa. JAS POLLOCK, Auditor General, Harrisburg, May 9, 1855.

D. S. MOGUL, Auctioneer.

GREAT SALE OF ELEGANT AND ELEGANT SOLID ROSEWOOD, MAHOGANY, WALNUT AND MAPLE FURNITURE.—Will take place THIS DAY, July 16, at 10 o'clock, TO-MORROW (Tuesday) MORNING, July 17, at 10 o'clock, from the large warerooms, Nos. 500 and 502 Pearl-st., Cottage-place [illegible] Elegant Parlor Suits, in hair cloth, [illegible] Also, a large assortment of Chamber Furniture, [illegible] Also, the entire furniture of a house in Charlton-st., [illegible] Also, the furniture of a house in Hudson-st., [illegible] Also, the

New-York Daily Times.

NEW-YORK CITY.

[Abstract of Registry.]

Registry in the City and County of New-York from the 7th day of July to the 14th day of July, 1856. Total number of persons, 41; boys, 311; girls, 170; men, 1[illegible]; women, 111; children, 300; males, 281; females, 216; colored persons, 12.

Consumption		Inflam. of throat,	
Cholera		Inflam. of bowels,	
Cholera Infantum		Inflam. of lungs,	
Dysentery		Inflam. of brain,	
Diarrhœa		Inflam. of liver,	
Dropsy		Inflam. of kidneys,	
Dropsy in head		Inflam. of bladder,	
Drowned		Inflam. of stomach,	
Drunkenness		Inflam. of bowels,	
Dysentery		Inflam. of lungs,	
Diseases of the heart		Inflam. of brain,	
Diseases of the liver		Inflam. of liver,	
Diseases of the kidneys		Inflam. of kidneys,	
Diseases of the bladder		Inflam. of bladder,	
Diseases of the stomach		Inflam. of stomach,	
Diseases of the bowels		Inflam. of bowels,	
Diseases of the lungs		Inflam. of lungs,	
Diseases of the brain